

WEATHER FORECAST

Victoria and vicinity and Vancouver and vicinity—Fresh to high southerly and westerly winds, unsettled with occasional rain. Juan de Fuca to Estevan—Moderate to fresh northerly and westerly winds, unsettled with rain.

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Japanese News Agency Reports Proposal for Amicable Settlement Following Crossing of Manchukuan Border by Troops From Siberia—Report Not Credited by Tokio Government

TOKIO, Dec. 22 (AP).—Rengo (Japanese) News Agency dispatches from Harbin tonight said Soviet authorities were seeking to avert bloodshed after Soviet infantry troops invaded Manchukuo from Siberia.

The troops, asserted to have crossed the border near Tungning, fifty miles south of Suifenho, were surrounded by Manchukuan troops and their communications cut "in an effort to check their further military activities," the Rengo report said.

PROPOSE SETTLEMENT
The dispatch said Soviet authorities had asked Manchukuo to allow the Russian soldiers to retire with their arms, and proposed amicable settlement of the affair. This the Manchukuan Government was reported considering.

While the Foreign Office in Tokio had no official report of the affair and indicated it did not credit the report, it was admitted that Soviet farmers recently entered Manchukuo in the Tungning vicinity.

The Rengo advices said the soldiers, after advancing into Manchukuan territory, began setting up

THREE SCORE ARE RESCUED

Aged Inmates Taken to Safety as Ontario House of Refuge Burns

COBourg, Ont., Dec. 22 (CP).—Herodism prevented an early morning fire from accomplishing major tragedy at the United Counties House of Refuge, today.

The lives of sixty-two aged men and women were imperilled when flames destroyed the three-story building, which was a home for the aged, during the hours of darkness to carry or direct every one to safety.

LEAVE IN NIGHT ATTIRE
Although most of the inmates had to leave the building in their nightclothes and groups of them stood about, crying or screaming in the snow, while their rescuers went after others, it is not believed any were exposed long enough to bring about fatalities.

Shooting flames, falling timbers and the crashing roof, made a terrifying scene. Hot drinks and warm blankets in neighboring homes, warmed the shivering old folks, and they were housed comfortably tonight in various temporary quarters.

BUILDING DESTROYED
The building, owned by the Counties of Northumberland and Durham, was completely destroyed, except for its stone walls, and the loss is estimated at \$100,000.

The fire started in a bedroom, presumably from defective wiring. Mrs. Bruce Thompson, matron, gave the alarm and summoned Cobourg firemen to the home, which is about a mile from here.

THREATENS TO BLOW UP BANK

Bottle-Armed Bandit Escapes With \$500 From Seattle Branch

SEATTLE, Dec. 22 (AP).—A bank robber who threatened to blow up the Seaboard branch of the First National Bank obtained \$500 from a teller and escaped here today.

Holding a bottle in his hand, the robber waited his turn before a teller's window and handed Gerald Tully, the teller, a note which read: "I have enough nitro-glycerine to blow up the building, give me your money."

OUTDISTANCED IN CHASE
Tully handed the man \$500 and the robber ran out the door into an alley. Tully dashed out of the bank and chased the man more than a block, but was outdistanced. Many customers did not know the robbery took place until the man ran out because no words were spoken.

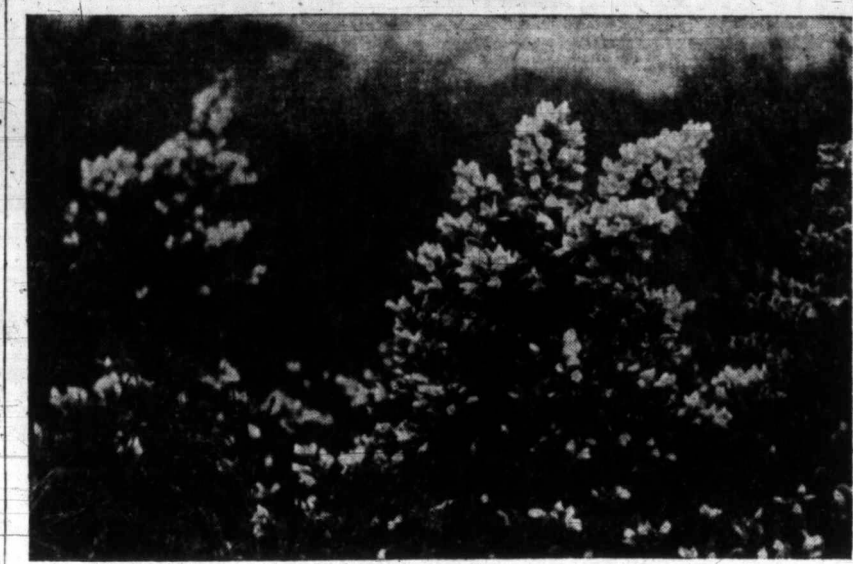
Detective Captain Ernest Yoris said later, after questioning Tully and witnesses, that the robbery had been made probably by a dope fiend, keyed up for the job by a large dose of narcotics.

Three Killed by Train Hitting Car

OSSEO, Minn., Dec. 22 (AP).—Three men were killed late today when a Great Northern passenger train struck the car in which they were riding, six miles north of here.

Witnesses said the driver of the car probably did not see the train because of windshield frost.

Nature Decorates With Golden Broom



While the Eastern and Central portions of the continent are shivering beneath a blanket of Christmas snow, the gorgeous golden broom is in full bloom about Victoria. The above picture, showing a bush in flower, was taken yesterday morning on the Oak Bay golf links. Roses, chrysanthemums, violets and other summer flowers are likewise paying tribute to the mildness of Victoria's winter season in many gardens.

British-American Accord On Naval Matters Given Support in English Paper

Paraguay and Bolivia Amassing Troops for Decisive Battle

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 22 (AP).—A Christmas truce in the Chaco Boreal appeared unlikely today as Paraguay made ready to hurl thousands of picked troops against Bolivia's last-line defences in what observers said might be the decisive battle of the war.

From all directions Paraguayan columns were closing in on Villa Montes, Bolivia's central army base, and the La Paz Government massed all available reserves in that sector, asserting its defences were impregnable.

Movements of troops have been slow due to the intense heat, temperatures reaching 105 degrees Fahrenheit. The Bolivians are said to have lost 8,300 men from sunstroke and thirst in the waterless northern sectors.

Arrangement for Bridging of Fraser Gives Annoyance

Minister of Lands Told of Plan to Give Percentage of Costs to Supervising Company—Information Was Premature as Details Were Being Held for Legislature

HON. F. M. MacPherson, yesterday, confirmed the announcement by Hon. A. W. Gray at New Westminster that the Fraser River Bridge Company is to receive up to \$225,000, plus preliminary expenses, for supervising erection of the proposed \$3,000,000 toll bridge over the Fraser at New Westminster. He denied, however, that the agreement signed by himself as Minister of Works had any reference to exemptions in respect to those paying tolls.

Mr. Gray's disclosure of what was to have been reserved first for the Legislature, which is to be asked shortly to sanction a loan bill to cover the necessary borrowings for the project, took the remainder of his colleagues in the Cabinet by surprise. Mr. MacPherson confirmed the 71-2 per cent arrangement with the bridge firm, in response to questions, but declined any comment at this stage.

THREE HURT IN AUTO ACCIDENT

Two Youths and a Young Woman in Hospital—Car Overturned

Two youths and a young woman, occupants of an automobile that overturned on North Douglas Street, near Crease Street, at 6:30 o'clock last evening, are in the Royal Jubilee Hospital with severe, but not serious, injuries.

They are: Leslie Smith, 3309 Quadra Street, driver of the automobile; Arthur Hicks, 718 Pine Street, and Virginia Wadden, 233 Langford Street.

Mr. Smith has a cut arm and head injuries. Mr. Hicks is suffering from a fractured collarbone, and Miss Wadden has a bruised eye and is suffering from shock.

CAR OVERTURNS
The automobile, according to Saanich police, was travelling north on Douglas Street, and skidded on the wet pavement. The machine went into the ditch and turned completely over, with the wheels in the air. Sergeant P. K. Cummings, of the Saanich police, attended and took Miss Wadden and Mr. Hicks to the hospital. The C. & C. ambulance cared for Mr. Smith.

Writer Sees Opportunity While New U.S. Policy Is Being Considered

COMMON OBJECT OF POLICY IS DESIRED

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP).—Support for British and American accord on freedom of the seas and naval matters as well as given in a special article in the Sunday Times today.

Referring to recent reports that President Roosevelt is considering a new American policy relative to the rights of neutrals on the high seas during war times, the Times said there was an opportunity for a practical accord containing two suggested parts: "First, no submarine blockade can be effective; second, in the absence of an effective blockade, the highways of the sea shall be free to trade between the United States and Britain."

A THIRD CLAUSE
The article said a third clause might be added in which "signatories of this understanding agree to make a common cause in the event of major present or future signatories, caused by infraction of these principles."

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SEVEN LOST ON OVERDUE PLANE

Machine Forced Down on Ocean Off Mexico—No Trace Found

MAZATLAN, Mexico, Dec. 22 (AP).—Seven persons, including a small child, were believed lost in the Pacific Ocean tonight as a passenger plane of the Lineas Aereas Occidentales failed to arrive at La Paz, Lower California.

The plane left here yesterday for La Paz.

A tri-motored craft sent out in search of the overdue plane reported sighting it afloat in the ocean several miles northwest of Mazatlan.

A motorboat, immediately dispatched to the point where the passenger plane was reported sighted, returned after a search of several hours. The crew reported no trace of the ship or its passengers.

SHIP CONDUCTS SEARCH
SAN FRA. ISCO, Dec. 22 (AP).—The steamship Sonora reported tonight by wireless that she had searched unsuccessfully for the wreckage of an airplane believed to have carried seven persons to their deaths in the Pacific Ocean off Mazatlan today.

The message, intercepted by Radiomarine Corporation, read: "Steamship Sonora, 125 miles west of Mazatlan, looking for fallen airship. We arrived at the place late in the afternoon with the shore plane from Mazatlan; searched within radius of twenty miles, but without results. Will repeat same search at daylight tomorrow with the aid of the shore plane."

AGED MINISTER DIES

NORWALK, Conn., Dec. 22 (AP).—Rev. Augustus F. Beard, Yale's oldest living alumnus and reputed to be the oldest Congregational minister in the United States, died today at his home. He observed his 101st birthday anniversary on May 14.

Gobbler Mixed Gold With Its Food on Farm Upon Prairies

TO the fabled goose that laid golden eggs, British Columbia ornithologists can add another instance of a turkey that carried gold in its gizzard. This was a Prairie bird, sent to a provincial civil servant at Victoria last week. A small nugget of water-washed gold was extracted upon cleaning the bird, and verified at the Provincial analyst's office yesterday. The nugget is being returned to the farmer who raised the bird, with the wish that he may be led by his flock to the source of supply.

TWO BANDITS PLEAD GUILTY

In Court After Miraculous Escape From Bullets Riddling Car

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22 (CP).—Two of the bandits who held up the Main and Prior Streets branch of the Bank of Montreal last Monday, await next Thursday for sentence for their crime. The duo, James Grant, twenty-three, and John Garvey, twenty-three, pleaded guilty this morning, before Magistrate W. M. McKay, to participating in the robbery.

They appeared in court miraculously unscathed after police bullets Friday night had riddled the car in which they rode, perforating the windshield, blowing out the tires, and cutting the ignition. Nineteen bullets lodged in the body of the car. Grant, Garvey and a third man, William Riley, forty-three, driver, were not hit. They were captured when the car, out of control, crashed into the side of New Westminster Bridge.

MYSTERIOUS BUNS
A bad fright to one pedestrian, a Chinese, was the only casualty from the bullets which brought the bandits to a stop. Seeing a detective running towards the car with drawn gun, the Chinese threw a parcel over the bridge. Police, curious, recovered it today and found it contained buns.

The sum of \$969, part of the \$1,800 taken from the bank, was recovered.

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Three Hurt When Scaffolding Fails

VANCOUVER, Dec. 22 (CP).—Three employees of the Northern Steel & Iron Co. were injured this morning when a scaffolding collapsed at the company's plant. George Reid suffered a fractured leg; Harry Sherman, probable fractured collarbone and shoulder and ankle injuries; and Earl Johnson, fractured ankle. All three are in General Hospital.

CLASH IN PALESTINE

JERUSALEM, Dec. 22 (Jewish Telegraphic Agency).—Two Jewish Colonists, Yehud Sheftel and Moshe Dayan, were wounded today in a clash with Arabs which broke out in the neighborhood of Nahalal, when Arabs, it was charged, invaded land belonging to the Jewish National Fund.

Business Increase Is Shown in Excise And Customs Totals

Returns for Vancouver Island, Northern Coast and Yukon Indicate Improvement, States Inspector Gerald A. Yardley, After Tour of His District—Considers Outlook Encouraging

AMONG the barometers indicative of the development of trade, the customs and excise figures have always been regarded as exceptionally reliable indices. The information given by Gerald A. Yardley, inspector of customs, with headquarters in this city, whose territory embraces not only Vancouver Island, but the Northern Coast of British Columbia and the Yukon, supports the opinion that trade is decidedly on the improvement.

"Throughout the territory included in my inspectorate, conditions show an increase in business for the past year which applies to every point within the district," said Mr. Yardley.

Texas Oil Ship Australia Sends Distress Calls From Mid-Pacific When Flames Break Out in Tanks After Explosions—Answering Craft Told Blaze Under Control

Three Vessels Ready to Lend Assistance if Needed Later

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22 (AP).—Distress calls reporting explosions and fire aboard the Texas Oil Company tanker Australia in the North Pacific flashed to ships and land wireless stations tonight, but the vessel was not believed in immediate danger. After sending out the SOS, at 8:10 p.m., the tanker notified the MacKay radio station here and at Los Angeles that the fire was under control. The liner General Sherman, which offered to rush to the Australia's aid, was notified: "If we need you we will let you know."

The following message from Capt. F. Armstrong, of the Australia, was intercepted by the Globe Wireless here at 9:40 p.m.

"Fire under control. Will proceed slowly on course. Please keep careful watch."

BOUND FOR LOS ANGELES
The tanker, which left Dalen for Los Angeles December 4, after delivering a cargo of oil, gave her position as northeast of Honolulu and about 2,000 miles due west of Tokyo, Calif.

Ships in the vicinity, which reported they were ready to go to the aid of the Australia, a 7,220-ton craft carrying a crew of forty included the General Sherman, the

RECOVER FROM SEVERE INJURY

Three Have Miraculous Escape When Car Plunges Down Mountainside

LYTTON, Dec. 22 (CP).—Three persons were reported recovering tonight, from severe injuries when their car plunged off the Cariboo Highway, last night, and hurtled 500 feet down the sides of Jackass Mountain. They are Ray MacMartin, game warden at Kamloops; Mrs. MacMartin and Carl Holtby.

A woman's scream among the granite crags above Falls Creek, warned railway workers that an accident had happened and they summoned Dr. J. P. Ellis from Lytton. A search with flashlights, conducted by Provincial Constable David Thompson, resulted in the discovery of the three, thrown out at various points down the mountainside. They were placed on a hand-car and brought to hospital here.

UTTERLY SMASHED
The car was smashed beyond recognition. The occupants were unable to give a very clear account of the cause of the accident. Mr. and Mrs. MacMartin were en route to the Coast to spend the Christmas holidays there.

Jackass Mountain in the 'sixties was the scene of a disaster from which it got its name. A pack train of mules, en route to Barkerville, went over the side and, with the driver, were lost at or near the point of the latest accident.

A NARROW ESCAPE
Another accident was narrowly averted on Thursday night. The branches of two pine trees stopped the car of "Slim" MacDonald, well-known Bridge River freighter. His car went off the highway between Lytton and Lillooet, but he was able to walk back seven miles to Lytton for help, thanks to the pine trees. He suffered injuries to his legs. Below MacDonald when he went off the road, was the Fraser River, several hundred feet down.

DEPARTURE MARKS START OF SEASON

King and Queen, Duke and Duchess of Kent and Two Princes Go to Sandringham

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP).—Loy subjects regarded the Christmas season as officially inaugurated tonight with the departure to the royal family for Sandringham, its traditional Yuletide residence. The King, wearing a jaunty violet bow-tie, and the Queen, in a long brown cloth coat, were accompanied by their two little granddaughters, Elizabeth and Margaret Rose, and the Duke and Duchess of Kent.

The Duchess, formerly Princess Marina of Greece, who will be the newest member of the family circle around the Christmas tree this year, smiled and waved to the holiday crowd which saw the royal party off. She was wearing a pair of large diamond earrings, which the Duke of Kent gave her as his wedding present.

COMMUNISM AT ITS LAST GASP

Chiang Kai Shek Says Murder of Missionaries an Inevitable Reaction

NANKING, China, Dec. 22 (AP).—National Government officials insisted today that last week's tragic events in Anhwei Province—the barbaric slaying of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Stam, American missionaries—were but the dying gasps of the Communist movement in China.

While deploring the Stam tragedy and kindred affairs, Generalissimo Chiang Kai Shek and lesser officials expressed the belief that these happenings were an inevitable reaction to the Government's relentless pressure against the lawless elements. "The Communist movement, without any doubt, has been smashed," the Government believes, and henceforth such elements will be forced continually to keep on the move, thus hastening their disintegration and reincorporation into ordered society.

IN DISORDERED RETREAT
The Communist hordes from Kiangsi were reported in pell-mell retreat westward and, unless blocked, are expected to join Red forces in Shensi, Kansu, Szechuan, Kwelchow and Hunan Provinces.

General Chiang painted a black picture of conditions in the recovered territories in Kiangsi Province, where Communist troops had been in occupation for six years. "It is appalling," he said, "to record that some 6,000,000 people have been rendered homeless and driven into exile and suffering, while 1,000,000 innocent victims have been slaughtered in cold blood by these ruthless raiders. In addition, a large proportion of the Kiangsi Province is suffering from continued malnutrition, and has been reduced to almost unbelievable living conditions as a result of the Communist regime. They are still dying in large numbers, despite all relief efforts made by the Government."

Traffic Heavy on Cariboo Highway

LYTTON, B.C., Dec. 22 (CP).—Traffic over the Cariboo Highway is reported greater this Christmas than for some years.

Little snow has fallen between Ashcroft and Chilliwack, but rain has caused slides at many points.

GIVE A JOB

OFFICIALS of the Victoria Branch of the Employment Service of Canada joined yesterday in expressing cordial thanks to citizens of Victoria and vicinity who have made work during the Christmas season. Warm acknowledgments were made to city and district merchants for voluntary and active support to the drive. It was pointed out that one day still remains in which many deserving homes can be saved from disappointment on Christmas Day, through creation of work for a man or a woman. The bureau's telephones are Garden 3411 and Empire 1801.

California Writer Praises Charms of Vancouver Island

Declares Scenery Unmatched and Allure of Victoria Unrivaled—Says No City on Continent Can Duplicate B.C. Capital

By ERNEST McGAFFEY
Automobile Club of Southern California

More and more as the years go by, Vancouver Island is coming to the front as one of the most beautiful, interesting, and unique places to visit on the Pacific shoreline, whether from the glacier-fronted confines of the Far North, to the Southern climes where the waters of Cape

Horn break against the ocean barriers of these tropic realms. It has an individuality and a charm of its own, which cannot be matched for variety and loveliness, and this fact is bringing to its shores many thousands of visitors from not only California, but from many other states of the Union.

Since the old days of the gold rush along its rivers, to the days when the Hudson's Bay Company located its furthest West outpost at the little settlement which was the commencement of the city of Victoria, the Island has advanced in population and in importance. But its romantic environment in many respects has been not only undisturbed, but added to in various ways until its attractions have become a potent lure to those who are seeking the striking and the unusual.

UNMATCHED VIEWS
The Malahat Drive along the eastern coast of the Island is an automobile highway which affords the motorist views which cannot be duplicated elsewhere. Whether leading through stately forest of Douglas fir and other timber or coming out above the magnificent stretches of the Spanish Arm, or dipping to the shores of the Pacific at other points, it is a road of manifold beauty. Crossing many rivers in its course northward, it passes Nanaimo, where another highway extends to Alberni and Port Alberni, and reaches the Campbell River, where the angler will find the noble Tyee salmon to test his utmost skill with rod and reel.

Further inland will be found Campbell Lake and the Buttle Lake

Loud in Praise of Island Beauty



ERNEST McGAFFEY
Well-known publicity expert and writer, formerly a resident of Victoria, but now with the Automobile Club of Southern California, who has penned an appreciation of Vancouver Island.

country, almost a virgin territory of surpassing picturesqueness. Here the country is nearly pure wilderness, and nowhere on the North American continent will the traveler find a more keenly interesting spot. At Alberni and Port Alberni the scenery is alpine in its grandeur, and the Alberni Canal is reminiscent of the famous fjords of Norway in its deep, and comparatively narrow channel, hemmed in by towering walls of rock, fringed with fir, pine, cedar and other forest titans.

MARVELOUS BEACH
To the north of the entrance to the canal are many bays and inlets, most of them wild as primitive creation, with here and there little settlements occupied by a few hardy settlers. At Nootka, Captain Cook, the famous explorer, once brought in his vessel, and gave the name to the bay which it bears to this day. Long Beach, one of the beaches on the Island's West coast, will one day be as celebrated as any beach the world over, and all along this Western boundary the forests of giant fir, of red and yellow cedar, and of spruce and other trees make a dense cover where the deer roam, and where the cougar follows on their trail, and where men's footsteps have seldom trod.

The lakes near the Alberni district are many and beautiful, and are teeming with trout. At some of them, Summer homes of picturesque architecture have been erected, and their fame as Summer resorts has generated even to New York and other American metropolises. Those hardy devotees of the axe and the spear can find ample opportunities to test their skill and daring among the mountain summits of Vancouver Island, for in these upper altitudes are peaks which will give them a surmounting before their tops are reached. In these higher regions the ptarmigan are found, while they are not traversed by the alpine chamois, the golden eagle soars above the heights, and the entire landscape is one of majestic and undecipherably imposing splendor.

RADIANT LOVELINESS
It would be impossible, save in a volume, to attempt to chronicle all of the marvelous beauty to be found in Vancouver Island. Rivers, lakes, forests, fjords, mountain chains and mountain summits, stark wilderness stretches, charming rural landscapes, bright with blossoming fruit trees in their season, superb vistas of the Pacific, splendid sea beaches, modern motoring highways, and everywhere a wealth of flowers, to complete a vision of rare and radiant loveliness. Of Victoria, capital of the Province of British Columbia, it is not too much to say that it is unsurpassable in its uniqueness. No other city in America, either North or South America, has its absolute cleavage from even a suggestion of similarity to any other existing metropolis. Facing the land-locked harbor, with the dignified and striking structures of the Parliament Buildings, situated in their spacious and flower-embroidered grounds at one side of the harbor, with the city rising around them, makes a picture which will never be forgotten by those who come into the harbor for the first time.

GOLDEN BROOM
When the broom is in flower on Beacon Hill Park's eminence, the scene is one which baffles description. Acres upon acres of glittering gold face the blue waters of the Juan de Fuca Straits, and beyond, the snowy summits of the Olympic Range glisten across the intervening spaces. This panorama can only be fully realized by seeing it, for language is futile to try and convey any idea of its fascination.

Not the least of the Island's many charms are the numerous and elegantly-appointed hotels and inns to be found everywhere along the motoring roadways. These are located in practically all parts of the Island, and their accommodations are not to be surpassed anywhere.

APPEAL GROWS
Every year the pilgrimage to Vancouver Island from California grows in numbers. The Forwarding Department of the Automobile Club of Southern California books many motorists to Victoria during the Summer months, and this exodus is gaining in importance every year. The boats sailing from California ports afford easy transference of automobiles, and cars can reach Victoria in perfect order. The trip north is a delightful one, and once in Victoria, Charley Harris, of the Island Motorist, and the Victoria and Island Tourist Association, headed by George I. Warren, will extend to visitors every courtesy and assistance in enabling them to reach all points of the Island which they desire to visit.

Not to see Vancouver Island and Victoria is to miss viewing one of the world's most entrancing and unique spectacles, and by taking along a camera the memory of the trip can be again brought to mind at any time in the future.

International Force Occupying Saar as Voting Date Nears

Final British Contingent Parades Through Saarbrücken—Colorful Scene Made by Troops of Four Nations Marching to Their Quarters

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SAARBRÜCKEN, Saar Basin Territory, Dec. 22 (AP).—The flags of four nations flew over this rich basin tonight as Britain, Italy, Holland and Sweden sent soldiers to back up the League of Nations' determination that the plebiscite on January 13—at which Saarlanders vote to remain under the League, rejoin Germany or France—must be peaceful.

Simultaneously with their arrival began the four-day political truce called by the League of Nations governing commission in an effort to keep the territory quiet over Christmas.

WITHHOLD HOSPITALITY
Nazi in the Saar were withholding old-fashioned German hospitality while their press poked sly gibes at the League's first international army.

Troops numbering almost 3,000, pouring into the Saar from before dawn until after dusk, were reminiscent, Saarlanders said, of the French, British, Belgian and American occupation of the Rhine after the World War. There were no French troops along this time. Pierre Laval, anxious for peace, had told the League France would stay out.

The last detachments of the Rhine occupation forces left the Saar on December 12, 1930, and since there have been no foreign soldiers in this region until the vanguard of Britain's contribution arrived on December 18.

THE LAST TO ARRIVE
The final unit of Holland's troops was the last to arrive during the day. A regiment of Dutch marines marched through the streets at 8:30 p.m. The final British contingent, cracking jokes while marching in perfect file behind its band, paraded the narrow main street of Saarbrücken this afternoon, and succeeded, with its good humor, in thawing out the frozen faces of some Nazis.

Thousands of Nazi flags, however, were flaunting their Swastika above the heads of the marching Tommies, apparently in defiance of the League's prohibition against display of any insignia after today.

The display of force backing the Geneva decision to keep the Saar quiet during the voting was impressive.

TANKS IN STREETS
Shortly after dawn fifteen Italian light tanks rumbled through the streets, followed quickly by Queen Wilhelmina's proud marine regiment in motor trucks. Great Britain's big batch of troops came next, in trains from Calais, and after them Benito Mussolini's crack grenadiers and carabinieri, one battalion of each.

Sween's soldiers came by truck, to take up quarters at Metzger and Mettich, along the German border. A part of the British contingent was ordered to Brebach, on the French frontier, and another to Neuenkirchen, near the German frontier. The Italians patrolled the industrial region along the French side.

The British provided the hit of the day, crowding to the windows of their trains to shout "Ho hi, hullo" to the thousands watching, and singing "It's a Long Way to Tipperary." Smiles appeared on the faces of the crowds, among them many children, and most waved or gave the Nazi salute.

Boxing Day Will Not Be Observed At the Postoffice
On Christmas Day all wickets in the Postoffice will be closed, according to a statement made yesterday afternoon by Postmaster G. H. Gardiner. The lobby will be open from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, only.

All mails due to be dispatched in the afternoon will be closed at 12 noon, but the evening mails will be sent out as usual. Only the evening collection of street letter boxes will be made. There will be no deliveries by letter carriers or rural mail couriers.

As Boxing Day, December 26, is not a Dominion holiday, Postoffice service will be as on ordinary weekdays.

TWO BANDITS PLEAD GUILTY
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\$450 on Grant, \$400 on Garvey and \$20 on Riley. Magistrate McKay ordered the money returned to the Bank of Montreal. Riley was turned over to Provincial Police at New Westminster today. He appeared in court and was charged with aiding in the flight of Grant and Garvey, and was remanded for eight days. He is in Oakalla jail.

DUM-DUM BULLETS
Two guns with "dum-dum" bullets, with the nicks across the top which cause a spreading wound, were found in the car.

Grant escaped from the city jail on December 13, while awaiting trial on two charges of armed robbery. The capture last night resulted from a tip that Grant was going to attempt to break away from the city, where he had been in hiding, and get across the international boundary. The tip proved correct and fortunately the trio in the car came along at a time when the New Westminster Bridge was practically free of other traffic and police were free to give battle when the car refused to stop.

CROUCHED ON FLOOR
Grant and Garvey were crouched on the floor of the vehicle when taken, while Riley was caught on foot as he made a break away from the hidden machine.

Search is continuing for at least one more man wanted in connection with the bank robbery.

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CHRISTMAS BUSY TIME FOR P.G.E.

Train Just Short of Record Load but Longest Ever Hauled Over the Road

QUESNEL, B.C., Dec. 22 (CP).—The longest train ever hauled in the history of the Pacific Great Eastern Railway was en route over the line today, carrying a record total of 974 bags of mail and 23,000 pounds of express, just 500 pounds short of the road's record.

Two hundred additional passengers will be taken on at Bridge River, tomorrow morning, and, with four day coaches, four sleepers, full diner, three baggage cars and the chair car, the train will be the longest ever hauled over the road.

BRITISH-AMERICAN ACCORD SUPPORTED

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Referring to the naval situation and the Japanese denunciation attitude of the Washington Treaty, The Times says:

"The ratio or mathematical school of disarmament has fallen into disrepute. What we want is to introduce some new principle which would affect the motives of these rivalries and express itself not in terms of power but of some common object of policy. If such a principle could be established between us and America, we might readily acquiesce in the disappearance of the ratio five and three. And, therefore, one hopes for big things to come out of new movements of opinion in America."

IMAGINATION NEEDED
"Let our Government give imagination rein to its policy and it may not only do greater service to our common interest in peace and to the prime object of friendship with America, but also find that the more ambitious plan will prove the easier going."

BUSINESS INCREASE SHOWN IN RETURNS

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try, with which the northern British Columbia port is so closely linked, has been responsible in large measure for the altering of the situation there.

The Yukon has had a good year owing to increased activity in mining and the furthering of prospecting which has been encouraged by activity in gold.

In the Yukon business has been increased by the development of the power plant near Dawson, which will mean increased facilities for the handling of operations. The dredging operations there have been quite marked as far as increases are concerned.

SHOWS INCREASE
On Vancouver Island the Victoria office has shown an increase in the business transacted through it, in common with the improvements elsewhere. The impetus given during the year to the lumber trade has had its effect upon the Island's volume of business. This was very noticeable in Port Alberni, where there has been a very large increase in the turnover.

It has also affected the business of the Nanaimo office through which port considerable logging machinery has passed and which has had the effect of adding materially to the revenues through that office.

TO BALANCE BUDGET
RIO DE JANEIRO, Brazil, Dec. 22 (AP).—The Chamber of Deputies today voted 120 to 16 to empower President Getulio Vargas to create credits up to 300,000,000 (about \$24,000,000) in order to balance the budget, issuing promissory notes subject to rediscount at the Bank of Brazil.

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Injury Fatal To Aged Man Hit by Auto

Francis Hingston Randolph, seventy-three years old, 615 St. Charles Street, died in the Royal Jubilee Hospital yesterday from injuries received in a traffic accident last Monday evening.

Mr. Randolph was struck by an automobile as he was attempting to cross Port Street, near St. Charles and was taken to hospital by the driver of the car. His left leg was fractured and he also sustained head injuries.

An inquest is to be held at 10 o'clock tomorrow morning at Sands Mortuary.

Mr. Randolph had been a resident of Victoria for the last four and a half years.

The funeral will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock at Sands Mortuary, Ltd. Interment will be made in the Royal Oak Burial Park. Rev. Canon A. E. de L. Munns will conduct the services.

FRASER BRIDGE PLAN CAUSES ANNOYANCE

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destrians, cyclists and farmers. The actual work was to start as soon as Federal approval of the site and plans was secured.

Talk of remission of tolls before the Legislature has yet even sanctioned the project as a public undertaking was flatly discounted in Government circles yesterday. The New Westminster utterance of the Minister of Municipal Affairs was branded as "prematuration."

NEW BOND ISSUE
It has been known for some time that the Legislature will be asked to authorize a bond issue for the bridge project, to be secured by tolls recovered from users of the projected bridge. The actual cost of the undertaking has not yet been definitely stated, though \$3,000,000 has been referred to on several occasions as the probable outlay. Any move to substitute taxes for tolls, however, would be firmly resisted in the House itself.

Twenty Share in One First Prize

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico, Dec. 22 (AP).—Twenty persons are believed to have shared the winning first prize \$20,000 ticket in the first drawing of Puerto Rico's legalized lottery today. Lottery officials learned that the ticket had been sold in twentys.

The drawing took seven hours. The Government participates in a chance to win, to the extent of the unsold tickets.

GUNMAN ROBS WOMAN
Vancouver, Dec. 22 (CP).—A gunman held up Miss P. Russell in the Central Dairy, Hornby Street, this evening, and took \$6 from the till. He escaped in a waiting car.

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WAGING DESPERATE BATTLE WITH FIRE

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Danish motorship Jutulandia and the freighter Wellington Court.

Explosions in the Australia's tanks apparently started the fire. The last message received by the Globe Wireless Station here said the flames had spread to two tanks.

FEAR SPREAD OF FIRE
One tank was on fire, the first message intercepted by the Globe Wireless said. The message expressed fear the flames would spread to other parts of the ship.

Another message, received a few minutes later, said:
"A second tank just caught fire."
Captain F. M. Armstrong of the Australia notified ships and radio stations in the distress message that his craft was traveling at about ten knots.

An exchange of messages between the Australia and the liner General Sherman, believed to be about 600 miles from the burning vessel, was intercepted by the Globe Wireless. The Australia, in reply to a request as to its immediate danger, said:
"If we need you we will let you know."

SEEKING PLACE FOR ASSYRIANS TO SETTLE
GEORGETOWN, British Guiana, Dec. 22 (AP).—The League of Nations Commission, examining the Rupununi district as a possible place of settlement for 30,000 Assyrians from Iraq, was favorably impressed and probably will recommend the area, dispatches from the interior said today.

The members of the commission are expected to return to Georgetown early in January.

Headaches Gone!
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Only Survivors of Antarctic Party to Meet After Years

Retired British Naval Officer on Way to Alberta to Visit Rancher Who Was Comrade Thirty-three Years Ago

TORONTO, Dec. 22 (CP).—Two hardy veterans of Antarctic expeditions who have been separated for thirty-three years will join hands next Wednesday morning on the small station platform at Vermilion, Alta. Thirty-three years ago they emerged from a twenty-two-month stay in a small hut in the Antarctic, only survivors of a party of ten who comprised the first British Naval Exploration Expedition into the territory of the South Pole.

Lieutenant-Commander C. L. Bernaechi, is making a trip he has dreamed of for years. Genial and quick-witted, he bears scars of his Antarctic struggles, which brought him the name of father of Antarctic discovery. Lieut.-Commander Bernaechi is lame, but during the war he was placed in charge of the navy's anti-submarine detection service.

He still looks forward to witnessing great developments, especially in air mail services, and before he continued his Western trip he told his conversation in New York with Vilhelmur Steffanson, another wanderer of the bleak Polar country. They talked about the air-mail route between the British Isles and Canada across the Arctic wastes.

COMING FOR CERTAIN
"It is coming as certainly as tomorrow will come," declared Lieut.-Commander Bernaechi. "To argue against it, to call it visionary, is to fly in the face of logic." The life he has lived has been

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Arrangements for Distribution of Hampers Made

DELIVERY of all Gyro hampers will commence at 8 o'clock this morning. No hampers will be left where there is no one at home. Those not receiving their hampers before 2 p.m. are asked to communicate with headquarters, Yates and Vancouver Streets, by telephoning Empire 1127.

full, and he declared he would live it over again "like a shot."
"It's been grand," he said. "It was a hard life going into the Antarctic, first as a young man, later as a commander of the first British naval expedition, last as meteorologist and physicist with the Scott trips. Although, curiously, many of the men who went on these old-time expeditions have died of heart trouble."
"Perhaps it's because of the work pulling sledges. Also, in those days we didn't know anything scientific about food, nothing about vitamins and so on as they do nowadays."

There was no radio to help search for those lost in the ice expanses. "If we were lost we stayed until someone felt it was time to hunt us," he declared.

Lieut.-Commander Bernaechi will visit Vancouver, then journey to San Francisco, Los Angeles and Hollywood, returning then to New York. After reaching New York he will visit Toronto and Montreal after February 15 to deliver lectures.

Will Deliver Gyro Hampers

Clubmen to Distribute Christmas Cheer to Needy in City Today
More than 1,500 gaily-decorated Christmas hampers, the result of a most intensive campaign sponsored locally by the Gyro Club, will be distributed today, the first trucks leaving the hamper headquarters, Yates and Vancouver Streets, at 8 a.m.

Starting early yesterday evening, Gyros were scheduled to work throughout the entire night putting finishing touches on the hampers. Some thirty-two sweet-browed Gyros, their sleeves rolled up and in their old clothes, were hard at work at an early hour this morning, and there was no prospect of a let-up.

MANY APPLICATIONS
The Gyros have been packing the "goodies" into the hampers for the last few days, but a deluge of last-minute applications for the generous cartons made it necessary for the club men to secure more hampers than they had at first anticipated.

In each hamper there are twenty-four different articles, more of certain items going into the larger-sized hampers.
Louis Glazan was in charge of the packing system, while Edward Whyte, "superintendent" of shipping and receiving, generally supervised the entire group.

Three or four large trucks will be busy all day. These trucks have been donated by various concerns to the Gyro Club in an effort to aid them in their fine undertaking.

GIVES ADDRESS ON SUGAR BEETS

R. D. Tait Explains Growing Methods to Members of South Saanich Farmers' Institute

KEATING, Dec. 22.—The South Saanich Farmers' Institute held its regular meeting at the Temperance Hall, East Saanich Road, on Thursday night, W. D. Mitchell in the chair. The secretary, George Spencer, gave a report on the Country Store, held recently. It was an outstanding success, over 300 persons attending.

R. D. Tait addressed the members on growing and manufacturing sugar beets in British Columbia. He pointed out that the experimental farms at Sidney and Agassiz had been growing and experimenting with sugar beets for eleven years. Yields of ten to twenty tons to the acre were obtained, the sugar content being as high as 18 per cent.

Mr. Tait said that the farmers in the Sumas district had been growing and shipping beets to Utah-Idaho Sugar Co., Bellingham, for some years, but owing to the duties and prevailing low prices the Sumas farmers were negotiating with the Fraser Valley Holding Co., of Vancouver, for a factory to be built in New Westminster.

Tests made this season on various soils in Saanich, under Mr. Tait's supervision, gave crops which compared favorably with those grown in Alberta and Sumas, and there was no doubt that the industry would prove successful on Vancouver Island. Mr. Tait concluded. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. Tait for his instructive talk.

BURIED AT ROYAL OAK

There was a large congregation of sorrowing friends at the funeral service yesterday afternoon for Mrs. Eagle, who passed away on December 19 at her home, 234 Battledore Avenue. Rev. W. E. Daly conducted the very impressive service, during which the hymns, "Abide With Me" and "Peace, Perfect Peace," were sung. The casket was covered with many beautiful floral tributes. The following were pallbearers: J. W. Little and L. Fletcher, representing the Ancient Order of Foresters; J. Nelson, L. W. Johnson, J. H. Langford and F. Johnson. The remains were laid at rest in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

CROWDS THROUGH BUSINESS AREA

Traffic Congested, Clerks Rushed as Last-Minute Buying Starts

With but one more shopping day before Christmas, clerks were rushed off their feet yesterday; policemen were driven to distraction controlling traffic, while thousands of persons bustled here and there searching for gifts, buying cards, ordering supplies and trying to remember what it was that junior wanted to buy for his little sister.

In other words, it was busy in the downtown area yesterday, busier than it has been for some years. Postal officials reported that the mail was the heaviest they had handled in five years, while merchants announced the volume of trade greater than last year.

Stores did not close until after 9 o'clock last night, and will remain open again until 9 o'clock Monday night.

Due to the two-day holiday, Christmas Day and Boxing Day, the public is advised to take in sufficient supplies for that period.

Mrs. Clara Arnold Summured by Death

There passed away on Friday, at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, Clara Arnold, of 131 Clarence Street. Mrs. Arnold was born in Yorkshire, England, seventy-four years ago. She came to Canada in 1901 and resided in Calgary for a number of years previous to moving to British Columbia. Mrs. Arnold had been a resident of Victoria for the past year.

She is survived by her husband, H. Arnold, of Salmo, and three daughters, Mrs. D. P. Collis, Clarence Street, with whom Mrs. Arnold resided; Mrs. T. M. Tyler, Toronto, and Mrs. B. Meers, New Denver.

The funeral services will be held on Monday afternoon, at 3 o'clock, at the parlors of the S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home. Rev. W. R. Brown will officiate, and interment will be made in the Royal Oak Burial Park.

FUNERAL TOMORROW

The funeral of Albert Hatherly Maynard will be held at Hayward's B.C. Funeral Chapel tomorrow at 2 p.m. Rev. M. Bruce conducting the service, and interment will be made in the family plot in Ross Bay Cemetery.

CULBERTSON on CONTRACT

By Ely Culbertson
World's Champion Player and Greatest Card Analyst

LEADING THE ACE OF SPADES

Most players would naturally think that there is everything right and nothing wrong about holding the ace of spades every time the cards are dealt. It is well known that I agree with them to a large extent, and I proved that in my recent battle of handicaps match with P. H. Sims, for I allowed Mr. Sims to double his scores every time he won a rubber, in exchange for my being allowed to take the ace of spades out of the deck and, so to speak, put it in my pocket to use on every hand. It is an extremely valuable card, of course; it is not only an ace, but the highest-ranking ace. Strangely enough, it does, however, create some sort of a psychological handicap for the team which holds it. My partner and I had to be constantly checking up on ourselves in order not to let the knowledge that I had that card interfere with sound bidding. Otherwise he might find himself overbidding on the strength of my ace, instead of bidding his own cards; and I might have made the mistake of underbidding on the grounds that since he knew about the ace of spades there was no need to tell him about it. By carefully concentrating we were able to avoid these errors.

In the first match of the series with Mr. Sims, which we won by 7,300 points, we had very good cards and bid and made six small slams and one grand slam in the course of the evening. How vast a difference there was in the cards we had in the second match, which we lost by 550 points is proved by the fact that in the ten actual rubbers we were not able to make a single slam despite the power of the ace. Yet Mr. Sims and his partner, B. Jay Becker, on two occasions made six-odd and the ace of spades was the only trick we took. They were not able to bid



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Major Church Festival Will Be Observed Here

Anglican, Lutheran and Roman Catholic Churches to Hold Christmastide Services—Bishop MacDonald to Celebrate Midnight Mass

Viewing Christmas Day as one of the great festivals of the Christian church, the Anglican, Lutheran and Roman Catholic communions throughout the world observe the day with appropriate services. In this city, midnight Mass will take place on Christmas Eve in the Roman Catholic churches, besides services on the festival day itself. Holy Communion will be observed in the Anglican churches on Christmas morning, and also Matins with sermons. In one or two instances there will also be a midnight celebration of Holy Communion on Monday evening.

The following sermons will be held:

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL
Christmastide will be ushered in at Christ Church Cathedral on Christmas Eve at 11:30 o'clock, when the first celebration of Holy Communion will begin. There will be celebrations of Holy Communion on Christmas Day at 6, 7, 8 and 9:15 o'clock. Shortened Matins at 11 o'clock will be followed by a choral celebration of Holy Communion, when Bishop Schofield will be the preacher. Charles Wood's setting of the Communion office will be sung. Offerings at all services will be devoted to the diocesan clergy and widows' pension fund.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH
St. John's Church has been beautifully decorated with evergreens, holly and white chrysanthemums for the Christmas services, when there will be Holy Communion at 7:15 and 8 o'clock and morning prayer and for it. The "Te Deum" will be sung to Dykes' setting, "Kyrie," by Mendelssohn, and the "Sanctus," by Plummer. The anthem will be "O Zion That Bringest Good Tidings," by Stainer.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, OAK BAY
Christmas Day: Holy Communion, 6:45, 8, 9:30 and 12 noon. Matins and sermon, 11 o'clock. Offerings for clergy and widows' and orphans' fund, Wednesday, St. Stephen's Day, Holy Communion, 10:30 o'clock. Thursday, St. John's Day, 10:30; Friday, Holy Innocents' Day.

ST. PAUL'S NAVAL CHURCH
Christmas Day: Holy Communion, 7 and 8 o'clock; Holy Communion and sermon, 10:30. Preacher, Rev. Alan Gardiner. The rector will be

slam on one of these deals, nor could they have made it had we been defending against six instead of four; on the other occasion, six-odd could not be stopped, but it was dependent upon the success of a finesse and Mr. Sims chose not to bid for it. In this deal the cards were distributed as follows:

West, dealer.
Both sides vulnerable.
♠ 2
♥ A 7 6 5 4
♦ A 4 2
♣ A Q J 8
A 10 9 8
6 5
3
2
K 9 6 5 4
K J
8
K J 10 7 6 5 3
10 3 2

The bidding:
South West North East
PASS PASS
2♠ PASS 3♦ PASS
5♦ PASS PASS PASS
Both sides were vulnerable, so that when Sims and Becker made a game it furnished them one of the three rubbers they won in the ten played. This rubber was won by 1,150 points, and since on the terms of the handicapped their score was doubled, it netted them a total of 2,300 points. As a matter of fact, if they had known that only a finesse could possibly stand between them and a vulnerable slam, I am quite sure that they would have bid for it, since the 750-point bonus would also have been doubled, making the small slam worth 1,500 points to them. Their hands were strong distributionally rather than in honor tricks; and the singleton heart and singleton spade were outside factors in the play.

I took the ace of spades on the opening lead; since every one knew that I had it I could hardly gain by concealing it in my hand. Even without this factor, an ace is a very good lead against a slam from a hand of such unbalanced distribution, for one must always fear that there will be a short suit in the hand of the declarer or dummy, and that an early discard of a singleton will prevent further the possibility of winning a trick with the ace. After the spade I led my singleton heart, and Mr. Sims put down dummy's ace, drew two rounds of trumps, and then took the club finesse. Because I held the king, we could not take another trick, and the five diamond contract was made with an overtrick.

TUESDAY'S HAND
North, dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.
♠ J 8 3
♥ 6
♦ Q 8 7 5 3
♣ J 8 7 3
♠ A K 10 7 6
♥ Q 10 4 2
♦ K 9
♣ 9 6
♠ Q 5 4
♥ A K J 3
♦ A 6
♣ Q 10 4 2

Motorist Leaves Accident Victim Lying on Street
Police were last night searching for the motorist who knocked down and injured New How, Chinese, 723 Pembroke Street, shortly after 6 o'clock last night on Quebec Street and left him lying on the road partly conscious.

According to information given to the police, the Chinese was crossing Quebec Street when the automobile hit him. The driver of the car stopped and returned to where the injured man was lying and while an eye-witness went to telephone for the police, the motorist drove off. The number of the car was not obtained and the accident had not been officially reported by the driver at a late hour last night.

New How was not seriously injured and was conveyed to his home in the police ambulance.

"What is your favorite book?" "It has always been my bank book, but even that is lacking in interest now."

This hand will be discussed in Tuesday's issue.

Looking for a Last-Minute Gift?

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- WOOL SWEATERS
- LEATHER COATS
- EVENING BAGS
- COSTUME JEWELRY
- WOOL SCARFS
- BED JACKETS
- CIGARETTE CASES
- MOIRE SILK PURSES
- SILK NIGHTGOWNS
- SILK COSTUME SLIPS
- SILK BLOUSES
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Tolmie School Arranges Programme of Instructive Character for Pupils' Parents

The Tolmie School held a visitors' day, last Thursday, at which funds were raised for the purchase of sports equipment. Approximately two hundred persons attended, and met the staff.

A programme consisting of exhibitions of student work, and displays, illustrating the standards expected in each grade, was arranged. How many of the pupils had surpassed the standards set also was illustrated. Chorus from the upper grades sang carols, and an orchestra from the primary grades played to the visitors in their classrooms. Other students dramatized stories from their readers.

METHODS OUTLINED
Souvenir programmes were printed and distributed to the parents and friends who attended. Letters from the principal and staff were enclosed in the programmes, outlining methods by which parents could aid their children in their school work. Emphasis was placed on providing children with good reading material. A list of Christmas books was suggested. Copies of the lists of books recommended by the Parent-Teacher Association were on view in the various classrooms.

At the close of the programme, an address was given by Trustee William Tomes, who took the opportunity to commend the staff and students on the splendid exhibition.

J. H. Harman, principal, welcomed the guests, and thanked the parents for the interest they had taken in the programme, outlining methods

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SIGNS OF BETTER TIMES

If crowds upon the streets are any indication of the volume of business being done, the sidewalks were thronged with pedestrians and the streets congested with motor cars yesterday afternoon. If the stores were as busy as the traffic officers, the Christmas trade, with one day still to go, should be the biggest for many years, if not the biggest on record.

For hours yesterday the streets of Victoria looked like the streets of a very big city. It could not have been the lure of the weather which emptied the residences and filled the streets. Therefore it must have been an impulse to buy either from necessity or to fulfill the conditions of the season of goodwill and good will.

Observers and prophets say the tide of the depression has at last turned; that it may not have reached the flood stage but is definitely coming in. There is no doubt about the improvement of business in Victoria, and our advice is that the change for the better is not confined to Victoria or the Pacific Coast of Canada. It is general. There is a marked revival in Quebec and Ontario and even in the Prairie Provinces, the hardest hit of all parts of Canada. There are still too many on the relief lists, but larger numbers are finding employment, and the number of the unemployed is declining.

It would perhaps be too much to expect the immediate arrival of conditions under which there will be no persons willing to work who cannot be provided with jobs, but that is a condition Canada has never known. Great Britain always has had her unemployed, many of them unemployed. We doubt whether the United States, even in the old boom days, could provide work for all its citizens. Therefore the unemployment employed is only approximate or relative.

In the United States the Government has resorted to desperate measures in the effort to create prosperity and help the needy, and yet the number in need of relief is increasing and may prove actually alarming before the arrival of Spring. If the improvement noted in the business of Canada continues, we should soon experience brighter and better times. That is what we all hope for on the eve of Christmas and the approach of the new year.

A WORTHY PIONEER

The lure of gold in Cariboo attracted many of the pioneers to British Columbia. It may have been the chances of improving his fortunes which led the father of the Maynard family to settle his affairs in the town of Bonnamville, Ontario, hit the long trail, and finally pitch his tent in Victoria, British Columbia. The capital of this Province was not exactly a metropolis in those far-off days, but it was a rendezvous for gold-hunters from all parts of the earth intent upon reaching the rich district of the Cariboo, digging and washing for gold and reaping the reward of the hardships they had endured.

Mr. A. H. Maynard, who has reached the end of the long trail of his life, does not appear to have been afflicted with the gold fever. It was the natural beauty of the country which appealed to his artistic tastes and determined the nature of his career. There is no record of his ever having attempted to dig for gold. Instead of engaging in pursuits which might have enriched himself, as they did some few of his contemporary pioneers, he followed his natural tastes, became an artist in the use of the camera, and enriched the archives of the Province with pictures of scenes and persons of great historical value. Of his personal qualities as a map and a citizen it is not necessary to print the customary post-obit platitudes. His name is without reproach. Some who knew him when he was a young man can testify to his constitutional good-nature and generous disposition. The good he did for the benefit of the Province will perpetuate his memory.

DEALING WITH AGITATORS

The United States Chamber of Commerce has asked the Government to suppress Communist activities. It would appear from the report accompanying the suggestion to the Government that revolutionary propaganda in the States has become bolder and more widespread because of a conviction that the season is opportune for a violent uprising against the constitution and the established economic system. The New Deal has not accomplished any substantial results. Labor is seething with discontent, and strikes are prevalent.

It is a curious fact that notwithstanding what has happened and is happening in Russia, there are agitators in many other countries who by subterranean social and political methods seek to establish Communist systems in other nations. It is a more curious fact that in Canada there is an element in the Liberal Party, leaning to the Left, which maintains that Communist agitators should be permitted to spew their poisonous stuff without check from public platforms and in public places. Instead of it being a crime to indulge in seditious utterances and incite to violence, it is alleged to be a crime to imprison incendiaries. The Liberals who lean to the Left cannot distinguish the difference between freedom of speech and licence in speech.

The police of Vancouver have raided a printing office and confiscated a lot of Communist "literature." There will be a tremendous agitation about that incident. The Left wingers will say it is an outrage to attempt to suppress the political views of any citizen. But is it not better to "nip violence in the bud" than let it bloom into flower and then suppress it by force with shedding of blood? Defenders of the Reds ask us to look over to Great Britain and observe how they do things there. They say the agitators in the parks and on the corners are merely permitted to talk for the purpose of blowing off steam and moderating the pressure in their heads. But when the panthers

in blowing off steam begin to suggest blowing up things, they are yanked from their perches by policemen. There is a good deal of rubbish printed in the papers about the manner in which preachers of revolutionary doctrines are dealt with in London and about the intolerance of Toronto.

EUROPEAN POWDER MAGAZINE

For a time we had good hopes of an amicable settlement of the delicate situation in the debatable Saar territory. Our hopes today are not so good. The truth is palpable that a single spark there might kindle a conflagration. The majority of the citizens of the territory are Germans, and when the allied troops arrived there to maintain peace and assure fair play on the thirteenth of January, they were not greeted with cheers as peace-makers. The inhabitants appeared to be in a sullen and resentful mood and to regard the forces of peace as invaders rather than as agents for the preservation of peace and good order.

The vote to be taken on the thirteenth of January will decide whether the Saar shall be restored to Germany and come under the dictation of Herr Hitler, become part of France, or remain under the rule of the League of Nations. All authorities agree that the Saar is destined to revert to Germany. The rules preceding the decisive plebiscite already have been defined, and already the German residents have broken them. There is no doubt at all that the Germans in the debatable territory are in an ugly mood. If it is fair play they want, the presence of the allied armed forces are an assurance of that. But the forces were not welcomed. Their presence is resented.

When the British forces arrived, they attempted to break the ice of silence and reserve by singing songs and indulging in cheers after the characteristic British way. There was no response from the crowds of sightseers. That is a sign that a little spark might kindle a conflagration. Probably that is why the Prime Minister of Britain is depressed as he ponders over the situation.

RUMORS ABOUT A PUTSCH

Another putsch seems to be imminent in Germany. The Heimwehr (Home Guard) appears to be dissatisfied with the rule of Hitler, but Der Fuehrer never seems to have thought very highly of the Home Guard. At any rate, he has his own bodyguard, called, we believe, the Brown Shirts. If the Home Guard should come into conflict with the Brown Shirts, there may be some red shirts. But, of course, there is nothing really authentic printed in the newspapers about how things are going in Germany. The papers only say what Hitler permits them to say, and the correspondents of the foreign newspapers only write what Hitler permits them to write. The news about the pending putsch in Germany comes by way of France, and it is possible that the French are hoping for another putsch in Germany—for if there is insecurity and uncertainty in Germany, there is greater security and certainty in France.

If there should be another German putsch there is sure to be another Hitler purge, and a Hitler purge is not a mild operation like the Italian purge. It is no bottle and castor oil affair. Still, if the Home Guard should be the purger and the Hitler bodyguard the purged, there soon will be some startling stories for the newspapers to print. There is no seasonal goodwill in Germany, and there may be no immediate prospects of peace upon earth. There will be the usual merry Christmas in England, but there will not be much merriment south of the Channel. That is all which can be said about the matter, and the things said are not pleasant.

IN A BLUE MOON

When the moon comes up at bedtime
Through the mountain far away
It is always golden yellow.
And the sky is blue or grey.

But I often hear folk telling
How the fairy tales come true,
And the strangest things will happen
When the moon has turned to blue.

Do you suppose a blue moon
Would exactly match the sky?
Is that why I never see one
As the months and years go by?

If I were a bedtime fairy,
Do you know what I should do?
I should turn the sky to yellow
When I turned the moon to blue.

—(Claribel Weeks Avery in the Youth's Companion.)

The Weather

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 7:00 p.m., December 22, 1934.

SYNOPSIS OF WEATHER CONDITIONS
The barometer is falling over the Interior of this Province and unsettled weather continues from the Coast to the Rockies.
Sub-zero temperatures have become general in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES
(Precipitation for twelve hours to 5:00 p.m.; temperatures for twenty-four hours.)

	Snow	Rain	Min.	Max.
Nanaimo	—	15	35	44
Vancouver	—	32	38	44
Kamloops	—	—	32	36
Prince George	—	—	14	32
Estevan Point	—	42	36	42
Alberni	—	—	14	32
Dawson	—	—	42	40
Seattle	—	10	42	46
Portland	—	—	42	46
San Francisco	—	—	48	56
Spokane	—	—	32	38
Penticton	—	—	38	46
Vernon	—	—	27	—
Nelson	—	—	28	34
Grand Forks	—	—	29	36
Kaslo	—	—	30	—
Calgary	—	—	2	8
Edmonton	—	—	16	20
Swift Current	—	—	10	8
Prince Albert	—	—	02	10
Qu'Appelle	—	—	02	10
Winnipeg	—	—	04	42
Moose Jaw	—	—	10	14

SATURDAY
Maximum — 44
Minimum — 40
Average — 42
Minimum on the grass — 37

5:00 P.M. WEATHER REPORTS
Weather, cloudy; rainfall 0.9.
Victoria—Barometer, 29.90; wind, W., 14 miles; rain.

Vancouver—Barometer, 29.88; wind, S.E., 10 miles; rain.

Kamloops—Barometer, 29.96; wind, E., 10 miles; fair.

Prince George—Barometer, 29.68; wind, S., 18 miles; fair.

Alberni—Barometer, 29.72; wind, S.W., 12 miles; snowing.

Estevan Point—Barometer, 29.90; wind, N.W., 20 miles; raining.

Tatoosh—Barometer, 29.90; wind, W., 14 miles; raining.

Portland—Barometer, 30.10; wind, S., 12 miles; raining.

Seattle—Barometer, 29.94; wind, S., 22 miles; raining.

San Francisco—Barometer, 30.30; calm; clear.

Letters to the Editor

No letter to the Editor will be inserted except on the proper signature and address of the writer. The rule admits of no exception. No letter should exceed 300 words in length.

PENALTY OF TAKING RELIEF

Sir,—If it is not asking too much, I would like this letter published if it is only to show the Christmas spirit that is handed to one who has the misfortune to have to receive relief. I have got an old car that I have had for years. I had to turn my licence in to the relief office or they would not even give me a month. This morning (Saturday, 22nd) I asked Mr. Cooper as a favor to let me have my licence for Christmas so that I could take my wife to spend the Christmas with her aged mother, eighty-five years old. I was told it could not be done, as it laid with the Provincial Government. This licence was paid for to the Government, and yet they can take it away from you and not refund the purchase price. I thought I would go to the Mayor's office and see if he had the power to let me have it for Christmas. I got the answer that he could do nothing. Then they have the cool audacity to put over the radio in different speeches wishing you all a Merry Christmas. That is only done as a force of habit, not from the heart, or the wish not to deprive us of a little happiness when you humble yourself to ask for the loan of your own property.

THEODORE BALCOMBE.
(Aged fifty-eight years.)
3017 Quadra Street, Victoria, B.C.,
December 22, 1934.

THE MASSACHUSETTS REFERENDUM

Sir,—Last Summer I wrote in one of the local papers that Russia might enter the League of Nations, and possibly the United States also, the latter obviously via the Pacific. Prophecies now come from Washington that America will enter the League through Tokyo. There are several matters pending with Japan, some of which could be better handled if the United States were a member of the League, all of momentous importance to both that country and Japan. There are those who believe that Japan intends to dominate the Pacific. If so, however powerful a fleet she may build up, it would probably prove useless against the world.

In this connection, the recent election in Massachusetts is of interest, for at that time the following referendum was submitted to the voters: "Shall the Representative in the General Court . . . be instructed to vote to request the President and the United States Senate to enter into full co-operation and membership in the League of Nations, with such reservations as they may deem wise?" The results show that 111 towns voted "Yes" and four voted "No," with 135,079 "Yes" and 81,857 "No."

Assuming that the total vote cast was around one million, it appears that only a small proportion, registered an opinion, and of those who did not, it may be claimed that the majority would have voted "No." On the other hand, if the vote were taken today, the number in the "Yes" column would doubtless be much greater owing to the success of the recent assembly. To draw a valid conclusion from these figures, the record of a few years back, in the same state, would seem to be required.

While we must bear in mind that Massachusetts is not the Mississippi Valley, yet the result would indicate the desirability of a poll of the whole country on this question in the near future. The straw votes of The Literary Digest have, in the past, proved surprisingly accurate barometers of public opinion, as confirmed by legal ballot following, and it is to be hoped that the management of this magazine will see its way to give us further light on the trend of public opinion regarding the League of Nations in the United States.

H. H. WILCOX.

Uplands, Victoria, B.C., December 23, 1934.

THE "MESSIAH"
Sir,—Handel's "Messiah" was sung by the combined church choirs of the city of Victoria, B.C., conducted by Mr. Stanley Bulley, A.R.C.O., at Christ Church Cathedral, on Wednesday evening, December 19.

There is no sacred oratorio better known in the world or sung more than Handel's "Messiah." It is, therefore, open to much criticism. It has been my privilege on several occasions to hear this oratorio sung by some of the largest and smaller choirs in Great Britain and over Canada. But I regret to say that I was somewhat disappointed with this performance as a whole, and no doubt others who heard it will agree with me.

When Handel composed the "Messiah," he was inspired by God. He set the correct and proper tempo to the music so that the proper spiritual reverence in the singing might be given.

The changing of the tempo by Mr. Stanley Bulley, according to his interpretation, at once loses the fine dignity and spiritual reverence of this oratorio. It reminds me somewhat of a band I heard once playing a symphony and interpreting it in fast tempo of the well-known melody in "F" by Rubenstein.

It is better to keep strictly to the correct tempo of Handel's oratorio than by making experiments.

The soloists were far from perfect to give the proper fine tone quality and expression. It would have been far better to engage some professional artists to sing the solo parts.

The soprano was Miss D. Danielli; the alto, Miss N. Jones; the tenor, Mr. Frank Tupman; the bass, Mr. Clifford Prescott. The soprano lacked tone color, her high notes being rather broken off and weak; her low notes being somewhat better.

The contralto had rather a sweet voice of much promise, and her words could be heard clearly all

over the church. The other soloists did not throw their voices out, and mumbled several of their words.

The tenor deserves credit in the way he jumped in at the last minute to substitute Mr. Jones, who had a bad cold and unable to sing. He lacked the necessary tone quality and expression.

The bass did not have the richness, depth and resonance that characterizes a good bass. He ran out of breath entirely before the end of the long run in the solo, "The People That Walketh in Darkness."

In the air, "Why do the nations so furiously rage together," requires much force and expression which the bass entirely lacked.

The large choir of 300 voices deserves praise, and no doubt they sang their best, but lacked the proper rounding and tone quality required. Handel's great masterpiece, the "Hallelujah" chorus, practically lost all its fine tone quality and beauty.

I consider it was somewhat of a mistake to place the orchestra, especially the brass instruments, directly in front of the choir. At times it drowned out the voices of the choir. It would have been better to place the brass instruments at the rear of the choir so that the voices of the choir may be thrown out into the church. In the air, "The Trumpet Shall Sound," with trumpet obligato by Mr. Green, the voice of the bass soloist was at times entirely lost by the loud blast of the trumpet.

F. W. BRANDER.

652 Superior Street, Victoria, B.C., December 21, 1934.

BRAIN SURGERY

Sir,—You had an editorial on the progress of brain surgery in your issue of December 19. You said that the opposition to brain surgery had now largely ceased and spoke of the triumphs attending the practice. It is impossible to quote the innumerable contradictions to these statements on the part of eminent physicians and surgeons, so the following of the late Sir James Thomson, K.C.B., Deputy Surgeon General, Indian Medical Service.

"It has been claimed that various diseases and injuries of the brain can now be localized and successfully treated through the results of a series of experiments on the brains of living monkeys, etc. The experiments here alluded to are those of Ferrier, begun in 1873. Before that time, however, many cases were on record where the seat of disease or injury was ascertained with perfect accuracy by simpler and more trustworthy methods (one case by Lawson Tait, in 1868). In truth, the increase of our knowledge on this subject is mainly due, not to vivisection, but to the clinical and pathological researches of Dr. Hughlings Jackson, a pure physician, not an experimenter. Ferrier himself admits that 'experiments on the lower animals, even on apes, often lead to conclusions seriously at variance with well-established facts of clinical and pathological observation.' The decisive settlement of such points must depend mainly on careful clinical and pathological research."

"Dr. Blackwood, of Philadelphia, U.S.A., said in his address in 1885: 'I deny that our present knowledge of nervous brain disease is due at all to the work of vivisection, and affirm that vivisection is less capable of managing such diseases than ordinarily intelligent physicians. The foundation for vivisection is wrong; the conclusions cannot be true.' The late Professor Charcot, physician to the Salpêtrière Hospital, Paris, made the following statement: 'Hence the only really decisive data touching the cerebral pathology of man are in my opinion those developed according to the principles of the anatomical-clinical method. That method consists in ever confronting the functional disorders observed during life with the lesions discovered and carefully located after death . . . To it, I may justly say, we owe whatever definite knowledge we have of brain pathology. As for the localization of certain cerebral functions, this method is not only the best, but the only one that can be employed. What light, for instance, could experimentation (on animals) have thrown upon the question as to the seat of the functions of speech—functions that are special to man?' Professor Parvin declared, before the American Academy of Medicine, that 'The solid facts on which we make our daily localization diagnoses have been patiently accumulated by pathologists, and would stand today if not one animal's brain had been touched.' These statements are decisive."

DORA KITTO.
315 Sayward Building, Victoria, B.C.,
December 20, 1934.

INTERPRETATION IN MUSIC

Sir,—It is a matter of considerable satisfaction to music lovers in the city to observe the interest engendered by the performances of "Messiah," recently given here. The unanimity of your and your contemporary criticism of the performance at Christ Church Cathedral, particularly with the regard to the tempo adopted by the conductor in his interpretation, is both unusual and a striking commentary on the worship of the so-called Handelian tradition. Mr. Bulley has no need for any apology. By intuition and training, his contact with the brilliant school of young British composers who have done so much for the renaissance of music in Great Britain; by intensive study of and research into history, he is well equipped in giving an authoritative statement of his findings. These he generously gave to his chorus, during rehearsals. If the reading were

conoclastic, Mr. Bulley is in good company. Many of the critics in the British newspapers expressed their opinions freely of the rendition given by Sir Thomas Beecham at the Norwich Festival, and if memory serves aright, Mr. E. A. Baughman was very caustic in his comments. The precedent established, however, came to stay and has been followed by Mr. Sergeant in the Royal Choral Society, Dr. Ely in the Scarborough Philharmonic, and others. Sir Edward Elgar thirty years ago wrote that with the improvement of musical education a new desire to understand has possessed us, and with it, the interpreters we need, as those who have seen "the most of truth."

Mr. Frangon-Davies maintained that "the oratorio enthusiast will always be in danger of the ponderosity of antique forms."

Compare the various editions of "Messiah," and notice the discrepancies in the metronomic and dynamic markings and their effect on "tradition." No uniformity, unless based on the Mozart transcript, upon which a more or less steady forte has been grafted and maintained to a great extent by the organizers of the Victorian period.

The carefully graded tonal effects called for by Mr. Bulley, with the restraint on the anticipation of climaxes, was by consensus of opinion thrilling to chorus, orchestra and audience, and it is suggested that the transition from the joyous mood of Part I to the poignant drama of the Passion music was in no way lacking in reverence. Quite the contrary. Nor will dramatic instinct conceive of the "Hallelujah" or "Worthy" being sung by the hosts of heaven as if it were a doleful lament.

Mr. George Bernard Shaw, a musical critic, had this to say on January 21, 1891: "We have all had our Handelian training in church, but it is impossible to obtain justice for the 'Messiah' in a Christian country. . . . To hear a thousand respectable young English persons joggling through 'For He shall purify' as if every group of semi-quavers were a whole bar of four croches, a capella, or repeating 'Let Him deliver Him if He delight in Him' with exactly the same subdued and uncovered air as in 'For with His Stripes' or lumbering along with the 'Hallelujah' as if it were a superior sort of family coo—all this is ludicrous and I lose patience." (Space forbids further quotation of this writer's criticism of Handel Festival of July 1, 1891, which may be seen in Music in London, vol. 1, page 219, et seq.)

Mr. Bulley has rendered yeoman service to Victoria in introducing new works to the public, and his initiative and courage in carrying out a noble conception of the whole of the oratorio, in spite of the anticipated adverse criticism of upholders of the "tradition," is worthy of admiration, except from the die-hards, and it is hoped we shall break their bonds asunder and cast away their yokes from us.

W. H. V. DAVIES.
530 Harbinger Avenue, Victoria,
B.C., December 21, 1934.

THE BOYS' BAND

Sir,—The coming of the Kitsilano Boys' Band to Victoria next week for a three-day visit and concert will be a welcome announcement to their many friends here. On previous occasions the boys have been guests in the homes of the people and the task to arrange for this hospitality has fallen upon me. Not having the list of those who graciously opened their homes to the boys on former visits, I am wondering if, through the columns of your valuable paper, I may be permitted to give publicity to Victoria people who might like to have one or two of the lads as guests for two or three days.

The band will play here next Thursday, Friday and Saturday, their first concert here since turning from the Old Country to this past Summer. Many consider it a privilege to welcome to their firesides these fine Western-Canadian youths who have done so much to put Victoria on the map in the wholesome and splendid way in their visits abroad. They all come from good homes, are well-behaved and interesting guests, and would be a jolly addition to the family circle during the holiday week-end.

If there are those who could entertain the boys for both bed and food, or either, may I ask them to communicate with me at G 7041, or 902 Government Street, or Mrs. F. H. Parsons, 563 Manchester Road, as soon as convenient before the boys arrive next Thursday afternoon.

DR. CLEM DAVIES.

902 Government Street, December 22, 1934.

GOOD HORSEMANSHIP

Sir,—As I had great pleasure in witnessing the display of horsemanship by the members of the Victoria Riding Academy and the B.C. Police on Tuesday last, my attention was drawn to your article on same in The Colonist of Wednesday by a number of friends who had also attended the display and were agreed that it was a wonderful show staged by the Riding Academy and the Hunt Club, and had especially great praise for young Master Carley and the other children.

In every case I was asked why so little praise, individually and collectively, had been given in your article to the magnificent display of the British Columbia Mounted Police, and came to the conclusion that regulations barred any mention of same.

Having heard it said that a number of men on the force had been called on special duty and that men

from the district office, together with that plucky little lady, Mrs. Williamson, would have to fill in on the team. Also that the constable who removed his saddle and jumping while holding same had less than one month's riding instruction. This in itself would be a remarkable feat for a seasoned driver. The beautiful grey, ridden by Corporal Williamson in the grand march, and later by Constable Armstrong, had put on his display after having been sun broken for only ten days.

Together with some friends I called at the police stables at the Willows eager to meet the men and see these wonder horses and had the pleasure of meeting Inspector Owens, Corporal Williamson and some of the men that had formed the team, and had the privilege of seeing some of the horses in action and inspecting the saddle and feed rooms.

Having some idea of Government issues, on seeing little extras in equipment I suspect that pride in their horses and appearance made the men dip down in their own pockets.

In conclusion, I have seen the wonderful work of our famous Northwest Mounted Police, the London (England) Mounted Police and the New York Mounted Police, but am of the opinion that our gentlemen riders of the British Columbia Police can hold their own with any of them.

I would suggest that permission be sought to have the police put on a display for the proposed Summer carnival so that not only our tourists but British Columbians see that they have something to be proud of in the British Columbia Police, which I believe is the longest established force in Canada.

E. F. CAMPBELL.

Victoria, B.C., December 22.

SING ME A SONG OF CHRISTMAS

Sing me a song of Christmas. Not of its jingling bells. Not of its glutted feasts or its drunken carols. But sing me a song of Christmas—a season set apart. For high and deep communions and the Christ-Child in the heart.

It is well, indeed, at Christmas that Santa comes with his toys. To waken a peal of jingling joy in the hearts of the girls and boys. But what of the needy thousands scattered throughout the land who cheer not the season's joys, fed from a niggard hand?

They read of the sumptuous banquets and the royal wedding bells. Of the jewelled robes and the pomp till the heart with envy swells. So we soothe their ruffled feelings with turkey and Christmas cheer. Then leave them to feed on the bones and husks for the rest of the dreary year.

I have read in a lovely legend how angels sang in the sky. Of peace on earth, good-will to men, all mixed with a baby's cry. We have waited these weary ages for that era of kindly will. And our guns have shattered the songs of peace—but the babies are crying still.

Yes, crying out in the darkness the little children of God. Crying that we may hear their cries, to turn the path He trod. To battle for social justice and practise the truth profound. That he who gives himself with his gifts brings Christmas the whole year round.

For the Christmas shoes get leaky, and the Christmas socks get worn. And the cupboard that's full at Christmas by Easter is left forlorn.

So, when you are giving at Christmas, give only a little more. Than you give hereafter, or perhaps have given before.

For only by fairer sharing can our hates and conflicts cease. And only the good-will daily shown can bring us a lasting peace.

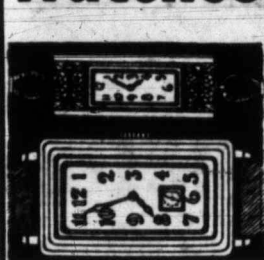
JAMES MORTON.
954 Heywood Avenue, Victoria, B.C.,
Christmas, 1934.

MOONRISE AND MOONSET

Time of moonrise and moonset (Pacific standard time) at Victoria, B.C., for the month of December, 1934.

Date	Rise	Set	Date	Rise	Set
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Donations amounting to \$57.50 were acknowledged yesterday by the Friendly Help Welfare Association, which still needs more funds with which to carry on its work. Subscriptions can be left with Stewart Clark, room 3, Winch Building.

Following were the donations acknowledged yesterday:

Previously acknowledged	\$24,820.05
W. H. A. Long	5.00
M.B.	1.00
W. & J. Wilson	40.00
A Friend	.50
Mrs. Ard	1.00
Metropolitan Stores Ltd.	5.00
Mrs. G. C. Kyle	5.00

Received to December 21, 1934 \$24,877.55

A coater and his best girl were discussing the recent marriage of two of their acquaintances.

"Arry—Did you read the list of presents Ann Smith 'ad for 'er wedding?"

"Arriet—Yes, I did. The idea for such as them 'aving the wedding put in the paper! They might be harkin' to it!"

"Arry—Fancy 'er mother givin' 'er such a 'andsome present as a 'orse and trap!"

"Arriet—Garn! It was a clothes-horse and a mousetrap. That's their bloomin' pride!"

Meats, Provisions Delicatessen

Monday Values—Cash and Carry

Early Shopping Values, 9 to 10 A.M.		
EGGS	Grade "A" Pullets. Limit 4 dozen.	38c
CHEESE	Chateau, 1s. Limit 2.	23c

All-Day Values		
H Fletcher's No. 1, whole or shank half, lb.		22c
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Per dozen		
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Physical Training Classes to Begin Early in New Year

Soccer League to Be Organized Under Provincial Direction for Youths of Sixteen and Over—Indoor Gymnastic Courses Are Planned

PHYSICAL training and recreational classes under Provincial direction, for boys and girls of sixteen years of age and over, will commence in Victoria in the first week in January, it was announced yesterday by Ian Eisenhardt, director of physical culture for the province. Miss H. Doull and B. Bachelor have been appointed as instructors here. Arrangements for a series of outdoor and indoor classes were made last week with the Victoria committee, under Mayor Leeming.

PLAN SOCCER LEAGUE
On January 7 the first of the indoor groups will be enrolled at Royal Athletic Park at 2 p.m. The classes will be free, and will be assisted by the creation of a special soccer league, with practices and games set for Tuesdays and Thursdays at the park, between 2 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. Coaches will be on hand to assist in organizing teams.

On January 7 the first of the indoor groups will be enrolled at the Memorial Hall, these being in two series, for boys and for girls. The classes will continue between 2 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, for boys; and on Tuesdays and Thursdays, for girls.

RANGE OF SPORTS
Soccer, basketball, volleyball, boxing, wrestling and physical culture will be taught classes of men and boys, and calisthenics, games and folk dancing for young women and girls. All classes will be free, and suitable instruction will be provided, along with whatever equipment is necessary. The series is primarily for those unemployed.

Upwards of 1,000 youths and young women are enrolled now under the Provincial programme, with organized sports and athletics to be carried on until March 31 next.

BADLY BATTERED BY HEAVY STORM

HALIFAX, Dec. 22 (CP).—Her hull badly battered by one of the worst storms of a storm-ridden winter, the Lunsburg vessel Shirley B. Cockum, after running helplessly before the gale for two days and nights, was picked up today by the Fleur de Lis and was on her way homeward to Lunenburg in tow of the Mounted Police cutter.

All of her crew of twenty-five were believed safe, although they passed through a grueling time in their forty-eight-hour fight with the elements.

The gale drove over Newfoundland and knocked over the tower of the wireless station where Marconi received the first trans-Atlantic wireless message thirty-three years ago.

One seaman had been injured on the schooner Laura P. Goulart, Captain Frank Santos reported when he brought his craft into Yarmouth for shelter from the blast.

Nova Scotia fishermen all along the coast suffered heavily by losses of their fishing gear.

Indiana paper: The ladies of the Helping Hand Society enjoyed a swap social on Friday evening. Everybody brought something they didn't need. Many of the ladies were accompanied by their husbands.

Military Activities



5th (B.C.) COAST BRIGADE, C.A. Brigade orders by Major M. A. Kent, Officer Commanding.

PART I
Duties for week ending December 22, 1934—Orderly officer, L. C. A. Smith; next for duty, L. C. A. D. Morris; orderly sergeant, L. Sgt. R. Newman; next for duty, L. Sgt. R. W. Tomlinson.

Brigade Christmas Tree—The Brigade Christmas Tree will be held in the Armories, Wednesday, December 26, 1934, at 2:30 p.m. All members of the brigade who have not yet handed in the names of children under twelve years are asked to do so at once. A splendid programme has been arranged.

PART II
Appointments, Promotions and Retirements—The following extracts from A.P. & R. No. 22 of 1934 are republished for the information of all concerned:

5th B.C. Coast Bde., 12th Hvy. Bty. (Hvy.).—To be 2nd Lt.: Robert Laidlaw Buller, 25-9-34; to be 2nd Lt. (Supp.): Arthur Charles Newton Smith, 26-9-34. 56th Hvy. Bty.: To be 2nd Lt. (Supp.): Archibald Milne, 27-9-34. 2nd Anti-Aircraft Sect. (Attd.): To be 2nd Lt., Robert West Phipps, 1-10-34.

Strength Decrease—The following O.R.'s are struck off strength as from 18-12-34: No. 7263 Gnr. R. Bristowe, 58th Field Battery, time expired; No. 7295 Gnr. Mark Gibson 58th Field Battery, time expired; No. 7321 Gnr. W. R. Harding, 58th Field Battery, left town.

Promotions and Appointments—The Officer Commanding is pleased to approve of the following promotions and appointments as from 18-12-34: No. 7311 Gnr. A. C. Keefe, 58th Field Battery, to be L.-Bdr.; No. 7343 Gnr. Evelyn Wood, 58th Field Battery, to be L.-Bdr.; No. 7332 Gnr. J. S. Jackson, 58th Field Battery, to be L.-Bdr.; No. 306 Sgt. E. Stanleigh, 58th Field Battery, to be Acting B.Q.M.S.

Leave of Absence—The following N.C.O.'s and O.R.'s of the 58th Field Battery are granted leave of absence as from 1-1-35 to 1-1-35: No. 1142 Sgt. F. E. Bos, No. 7347 Gnr. P. F. Hartley, No. 7291 Gnr. G. C. Warnock, No. 1197 Gnr. S. Warnock, No. 7312 Sgt. H. Kreiger, No. 7328 L.-Sgt. M. S. Brown.

The Officer Commanding takes this opportunity to wish all the members of the brigade a Very Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year.

H. C. BRAY, Captain, A-Adjutant 5th (B.C.) Coast Brigade, C.A.

11th FORTRESS SIGNAL COMPANY, C.C. OF S. Orders by Captain B. Gwynne, Officer Commanding.

Parades—In view of the Christmas and New Year holidays, there will be no parade until Friday, January 4, 1935, when the company will parade at the Armories at 8 p.m. Dress, mufti.

The Officer Commanding extends the season's greetings to all ranks and wishes them a Merry Christmas and a Bright and Prosperous New Year. He wishes to congratulate them on their keeness and attention throughout the past training season, which has contributed so much to the company's success in routine and competitive work, and towards the status which it now enjoys in that branch of the service.

L. W. JOHNSON, 2nd Lieut., 11th Fortress Signal Co., C.C. of S.

11th FORTRESS COMPANY, C. of C.E.

Part I orders for week ending December 25, 1934:
Parades—The 11th Fortress Company, C. of C.E., will parade at company headquarters on Tuesday, January 8, 1935. No parades will be held December 25 to January 1, 8 to 8:30 a.m., drill (small arms training); 8:30 to 10 p.m., lecture, "Management of Oil Engines."

Duties—To be orderly sergeant for ensuing week: Sgt. A. W. Robertson, C. of C.E.

Strength Increase—Bugler C. Dunlop, C. of C.E., effective 27-11-34.

Strength Decrease—A-Sgt. F. Sinnot, C. of C.E., effective 8-10-34; Spr. J. Barlow, C. of C.E., effective 8-10-34; Spr. E. J. Vigers, C. of C.E., effective 23-10-34; Spr. J. Vigers, C. of C.E., effective 23-10-34.

The officer commanding ex-

tends to all ranks the compliments of the season.
C. D. SCHULTZ, 2nd Lieut. C.E., Officer commanding 17th Fortress Company, Canadian Engineers.



"D" COMPANY, 2nd BATTALION, CANADIAN SCOTTISH REGT. Company orders by Major R. D. Harvey, Commanding.

PART I
Parades—There will be no parades until the following dates: No. 13 Platoon, January 7, 1935; No. 14 Platoon, January 9; No. 15 Platoon, January 8.

"A" Company Annual Ball—An invitation has been received from "A" Company, 2nd Battalion, inviting all ranks of the company to attend the annual ball at Duncan on the evening of December 26, 1934 (Boxing Day).

The Officer Commanding extends hearty Christmas and New Year greetings to all ranks, and wishes to express appreciation of the good work accomplished by the company during the training season to date.

PART II
Promotions—To be corporals: Pte. W. Newton, No. 13 Platoon, 12-12-34; L.-Cpl. A. Abernethy, No. 14 Platoon, 20-12-34. To be lance-corporal: Pte. D. Johnson, No. 14 Platoon, 29-12-34.

R. D. HARVEY, Major, Commanding "D" Company, 2nd Bn., Canadian Scottish Regt.



11th MACHINE GUN BN, C.M.G.C.

"A" Company orders:

PART I
Duties—Orderly officer for week ending December 22, 1934, Second Lieut. H. Buss; orderly officer next for duty, Second Lieut. A. B. Gray; orderly sergeant for week ending December 22, 1934, L.-Sgt. C. G. White; next for duty, L.-Sgt. J. Atkins.

Parades—The evenings allotted to this company for training for the ensuing two weeks coinciding with Christmas Day and New Year's Day, will be no parades for training until Tuesday, January 8, 1935. The company will parade at 8 p.m. on that date. Dress: Drill order.

Training—Training on Tuesday, January 8, 1935, will be in accordance with the syllabus posted on the company notice board.

Greetings—The commanding officer desires to express his appreciation to all ranks for their conscientious work throughout the year. He extends to all members of the battalion his best wishes for a happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.

Extract from Bn. O. No. 16, 19-12-34

PART II
Taken on Strength—The undermentioned, having been duly attested, is taken on the strength and posted to "A" Company, with effect from the date stated: No. 206, Pte. J. F. Lamport, 9-10-34. (Auth.: Bn. O. No. 16, 19-12-34.)

R. H. W. CLOWES (Major), O.C. "A" Company, 11th M.G. Bn., C.M.G.C.

No. 11 MAINTENANCE COMPANY, C.A.S.C.

Company orders for week ending January 5, by Major H. L. Rose, Officer Commanding.

Parades are cancelled for Tuesday, December 25, and Tuesday, January 1. The Officer Commanding and officers extend hearty Christmas greetings and best wishes for the New Year to all company members.

J. B. McMAHON, 2nd Lieut., For Officer Commanding No. 11 Maintenance Co., C.A.S.C.

11th DIVISIONAL BAGGAGE COMPANY, C.A.S.C.

There will be no parade over the Christmas and New Year holiday. I take this opportunity of wishing all ranks under my command the best that Yuletide and the New Year can bring, and sincerely thank them for their co-operation during the recent training season.

ERIC HOUSLEY, Lieut., Officer Commanding.

MISS ALICE FIELDS IS REMOVED BY DEATH

Funeral services for Miss Alice Fields, aged sixty-seven years, who died at her home, 855 Vancouver Street, yesterday, after a long illness, will be conducted tomorrow afternoon, at Christ Church Cathedral, at 1:30 o'clock. Rev. T. R. Lancaster will officiate and interment will be made in Royal Oak Burial Park. S. J. Curry & Son Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Miss Fields was born in Saint John, New Brunswick, and came to Victoria six years ago, from Edmonton, where she resided for many years.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. J. C. C. Bremner, Burdett Apartments, Victoria; two sisters in New Brunswick, and one brother, of South Africa, who is at present in Victoria.

FUNERAL OF JOHN SMITH

The funeral of the late John Smith, war veteran, who passed away at the Royal Jubilee Hospital, on December 19, was held yesterday afternoon. Relatives and many friends attended the very impressive service, which was conducted by Rev. F. W. McKinnon. The casket, draped with the Union Jack, was covered with many beautiful floral tokens, which testified to the high esteem in which the late Mr. Smith was held.

The hymns sung were "Rock of Ages" and "Nearer, My God, to Thee." The pallbearers were G. Copping, S. Taylor, E. Murphy and A. Braidwood. The remains were laid at rest in Colwood Burial Park.

Completes Plans for Quartette

Frederic Shipman, well-known impresario, arrived in Victoria on a flying visit yesterday to complete arrangements for the appearance here on Monday, January 14, of the Legion Quartette, under the local management of Miss Violet Wilson and Mrs. D. B. MacConnan.

This quartette, composed entirely of ladies, has been one of the musical novelties of the American musical season this year. Singing a diversified programme of duets, trios and quartettes, comprising the very best class of music written for this type of ensemble, they have been received everywhere with the most enthusiastic praise. Mr. Shipman states, and he is quite confident that they will make as instantaneous an appeal to a Victoria audience as they have to their audiences on the other side. The personnel of the quartette is as follows: Mildred Wyatt, Vida Lou Starr, Arlene Brown and Grace Zoel.

They are bringing their own pianist, also, Miss Virginia Danforth.

ROB TWO BANKS AT SAME TIME

Six Oklahoma Bandits Execute Double Robbery—Escape With \$19,000

OKEMAH, Okla., Dec. 22 (AP).—A double bank robbery—a coup unique in the annals of Oklahoma outlaws—was executed here today without a shot being fired.

Six men in coveralls and cheese-cloth masks looted two of Okemah's three banks of an estimated \$19,000, and fled, ten minutes ahead of any alarm, leaving thirteen persons bound and gagged.

A. E. S. Bonny, vice-president of the First National Bank, estimated the bank's loss at \$12,000. A. J. Martin, president of the Okemah National, across the street, said the loot there was about \$7,000.

Working with precision, three men lay in wait at each bank, overpowering the janitor and locking the doors. Then they ambushed other employees as they entered and trusted them up, eight at the Okemah National and five at the First National.

At 9 a.m., when the time locks opened the vaults, the gunmen seized the cash and fled northward in two small sedans.

A man who had had a slight mauling accident which necessitated the application of sticking-plaster to his nose, was called upon to interview the local inspector of taxes.

"Had an accident to your nose?" the latter asked sympathetically. "No," said the taxpayer, "I've been paying through it so long that it has given way under the strain."

PLEASED WITH BIG GATHERING

Brig.-Gen. Alex Ross Back From Antipodes—B.E.S.L. Will Aid Pensioners



BRIGADIER-GENERAL ALEX ROSS

With a message of cheer for Imperial pensioners, and looking fit after his trip to and from Melbourne, Australia, where he attended the seventh biennial conference of the British Empire Service League, Brig.-Gen. Alexander Ross, C.M.G., D.S.O., V.D., Dominion president of the Canadian Legion, paid a short visit to Victoria, yesterday afternoon. Later he proceeded Up-Island to Duncan, where he delivered an address. Tonight he speaks in Nanaimo.

The British Empire Service League will seek assistance from the Imperial Government for British ex-service men who, when leaving Great Britain, had commuted their pensions. Under the English system, they are no longer entitled to Government assistance, but since leaving England their circumstances have become worse and their incomes inadequate.

General Ross expressed his complete satisfaction, yesterday, with the B.E.S.L. conference, which lasted five days and was attended by representatives of thirty-five Dominions. Reports at the conclusion indicated that the league organizations throughout the world were active in community work, he added.

NEW ZEALAND

During his visit of nineteen days in Australia, General Ross was accompanied by Mrs. Ross. They also visited New Zealand and called at Canadian Legion branches there. En route to Canada, General Ross spoke at the Legion organization branches.

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ROYAL OAK SCHOOL CONCERT ENJOYED

The annual school concert of Royal Oak School was held in the Institute Hall, with Trustee Hull acting as chairman. An attractive programme was presented by the scholars, including a piano solo, Olive Adye, Christmas carols, girls of Divisions I and II; snowflakes and fairies, junior girls; dialogue, Molly Leiper and Donald Slocum; piano solo, Helen Phillips.

Highland dance, Helen and Walter Burgess; piper, Ian Duncan; song, girls of Division II; "Campfire Scene," Boys of Division I; dance, "Swiss Polka," girls of Division II; piano duet, Gertrude and Gladys Campbell; "Christmas Drill," boys of Division III; playlet, "Twice Too Much," Division II, characters, Pamela Butcher, Helen Phillips, Bobby Macdonald, Jack Boorman, Ethel Oliver, Nat Ecclestone, Joyce Jaland, Lorraine Pillar and Kathleen Willoughby; piano solo, Gloria Simmons.

Recitation, Lyn Robinson; playlet, "The Choice of the Christmas Doll," with the following players, "Santa Claus, John Holten; Mrs. Santa Claus, Beverly Quick; dolls, Irene Scott, Noel Bechtel, Sonia Leiper, Walter Burgess, Helen Burgess, Arthur Jones, Barbara Heal, Doris Oliver; Brownie, Edward Campbell; recitation, Joana McIntosh.

Historical play by Division I, with Leslie Draper as King Alfred; Olive Adye as Gudewife; Bert Smith, prince; John Reeves, Danish chief; English soldiers, Herbert Hodgson, Billy Quick, Robert Stevenson and Jim Smith; Danes, Roy Duval, Raymond Oliver, John Hodgson and Leslie Matthews; "Swedish Klappdansen," girls of Division II; carol, "Silent Night," girls of Division I and II.

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Solarium Children Give Entertainment To Delighted Guests

Boys and Girls Present Scenes From "Winnie-the-Pooh" in Connection With Annual Yuletide Visit of Santa Claus

CHRISTMAS-TIME may have its ups and downs in other places, but at the Queen Alexandra Solarium, at least, one may take it for granted that it will be a happy season. Visitors who attended the annual Christmas tree there yesterday were reminded of this as they watched the delightful little presentation of scenes from "Winnie-the-Pooh," or as they wandered later through the wards chatting to the wee bedridden folk after the hubbub of Santa's passing, with his trail of toys, or while the kiddies demolished the luscious ice cream pudding left by the Palm Dairies, Ltd. It was again something to remember.

Yes, scenes from "Winnie-the-Pooh" were played, Christmas carols were sung, Santa Claus came with a bulging bag of toys and visited each cot and wheel-chair and little boy and girl with crutches or splints, and an enormous holly-and-ivory-tipped ice cream pudding was trundled up and down the wards and served out as fast as spoon and ladle could serve into eagerly-outstretched saucers and plates. It was a wonderful day for the little patients; and it was a wonderful day for the visitors, too, for there is nothing quite so thrilling as seeing a lot of children thoroughly enjoying a party—and quite unconscious of their own infirmities.

The scenes from "Winnie-the-Pooh" were delightful. The audience sat at one end of the middle ward, and the other end had been converted, by means of fir trees and greenery, into a little wood scene where the three episodes took place. There was, first of all, the laughable incident of the Breezy Pooh getting stuck in the door; then there was the incident of the bucket of honey and Pooh's uncomfortable predicament when he is caught stealing the treacle stuff; and, finally, there was the hunt for Eeyore's tail, its discovery on the door of the Owl, where it was used as a bell-pull, and the return of the missing appendage to its rightful owner by Christopher Robin.

In presenting these scenes, the children showed a great sense of characterization and fun. Pooh was practically word-perfect, and the dialogue came across perfectly. The choruses and recitations given in unison were wonderfully well done, particularly "Isn't It Funny How Bears Like Honey!" and "When I Was One." As the scenes were pulled across at the termination of each scene, the audience spontaneously applauded, a tribute to the refreshing ingenuity of the acting.

THE PRINCIPALS
The principals in the play were Leonard Weaver, who was capital as "Pooh"; Beth Clague, who was a dear little fresh-faced "Christopher Robin"; Barbara Eyles, the principal rabbit; Joy Deacon, as the droll green-smocked "Piglet"; Mildred Holder, as Kanga; Sheila Colbert, as "Baby Roo"; Ronald Wakefield, as the tiger-like "Tigger," who liked everything until he tasted it; and Robert Guay, as the curious horse-headed "Eeyore."

The "wood" was alive with a lot of other folk, friends and relations, impersonated by Robbina Zimmermann, John Little, Margaret Davis (who were beetles), Marjory Jones and Mary King (elves) and Amiko Sasaki, Bobby Davis, Wesley Calahalan, Anna King, Jean Fairley, Molly Sears, Marion Gorch, Arthur Eiranson and Lillian Gorch (rabbits).

The accompaniments, also, were entrusted to one of the Solarium children, Aileen Steele, who later shared with Grace Woods the Dame Fawcett prize awarded to the best girl in the school, when W. B. Langan, president of the Solarium board of directors, presented these awards. Robert Guay, who, like Aileen Steele, had passed his entrance examinations as a candidate from the Solarium school last Summer, won the Dame Fawcett prize for the best boy.

A TABLEAU
At the conclusion of the Milne play, the entire cast assembled in tableau formation and sang, very sweetly, a number of carols: "Joy to the World," "Like Silver Lanterns in the Sky," "A Babe in a Manger," "Christ is Born in Bethlehem," "Holy Night," and "Little Town of Bethlehem."

The costuming was charming, all the dresses being designed by the teachers, Miss Budd and Miss Ebbs Canavan, who also had charge of the programme. Dr. Wace, medical superintendent, and Miss Stone, matron, were on hand to welcome guests.

Santa scattered his gifts generously and quickly, speeding from cot to cot, and in passing ignoring the three beautifully-decorated Christmas trees from which the family presents will be distributed on Christmas Day. Later he popped in for a hurried cup of tea with the grown-ups, who spent a happy half-hour together before dispersing.

One of the other pleasant diversions of the afternoon was the inspection of the handicrafts and calendars made by the children under their teachers' supervision. This work shows excellent taste as well as most deft craftsmanship, beautifully-worked tea cosies, table cloths, scarfs, leather purses and book covers, and various toys being on display.

THOSE PRESENT
Nearly all the members of the board of directors were present: W. B. Langan (president), Mr. and Mrs. Goulding Wilson, J. P. Babcock, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Williams, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Dunlop, Sir Richard and Lady Lake, J. W. Hudson, Mrs. Gale, Mrs. Beverley, Dr. and Mrs. Richard Felton, Dr. and Mrs. Wace, the Misses Ravenhill, Senator and Mrs. G. H. Barnard, Miss Audrey Alexander Brown, Miss Kathleen Agnew, the Misses O'Brien, Mr. Hugh Savage, M.P.P., Mr. Merryfield, Mrs. T. C.

RAIDERS LEAVE TRAIL OF DEAD

Mounted Band Sweeps Into Mexican City With Hail of Gunfire

NOGALES, Ariz., Dec. 22 (AP).—Three persons were killed in a sudden early morning raid on Friday by a band of ten to fifteen men upon the little city of Nogales, Sonora, said reports reaching the border tonight.

The raid was attributed by authorities of this city to a group known as "Cristeros," or "followers of the cross," one of the elements in Mexico's religious disturbances. Reports tonight said four of the raiders had been apprehended and lodged in the Nogales jail.

The band of men swept into the sleeping city with a burst of rifle and pistol fire and for nearly thirty minutes ruled the city with a grip of terror. Pausing at the police station, the raiders poured a deadly torrent of lead into the building, killing Captain Francisco Coronado. It was not known if the others reported slain had been killed in the same bursts of fire.

Before the panic-stricken residents could offer resistance, the band put spurs to their horses and galloped away into the hills.

Manager—What are you doing with your foot on the desk?
Clerk—Economizing, sir. I've lost my eraser and I'm using my rubber heel instead.

Announcements

Winning Tickets in the Canadian Scottish Turkey Draw: R. B. Mathews, 217 Cord St.; S. W. Ross, 578 Parkside; R. Johnston, (A. P. Slade); I. Dillaway, 389 Lonsdale Street; W. N. Norrington, 1029 Cook Street; D. Wilson, 1054 McGregor Avenue; R. T. Stewart, (Colquhoun); Fred Arnot, (Ryan-Wilson); Mr. Stewart, 1304 Burrell; W. S. Robinson, 1317 Finlayson; John Eekette, Fire Hall; Saanich; P. Derbyshire, 948 Dunedin Street; Edwin Winterham, 1138 Mason Street; F. Mallek (Mallek's); R. Nichols, Ganges; Miss Sheila McGivern, Uplands; Mr. Hutton, 857 McClure; Mrs. J. E. Bosher, East Road, Sidney; Miss N. Dodson, Sevenoaks P.O.; E. Sims, 99 George Road; A. Jones, 633 Michigan Street; C. H. T. Empress; R. G. Cruickshanks (Imperial Bank). Turkeys will be delivered Monday.

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City and District

Park Work—Owing to the wild weather, the city parks department has found it necessary to clip grass in many of the city parks.

Is Made Coroner—James B. Stewart, of Pioneer, was appointed a coroner for the Province, yesterday, by provincial order.

Library Hours—The Victoria Public Library will be open as usual on Monday, from 9 a.m. until 9 p.m., but will be closed on Christmas Day and Boxing Day.

Kinsmen to Meet—The Kinsmen Club will meet for dinner in the Empress Hotel on Thursday night at 8:15 o'clock. Routine business will be discussed. No speaker has been announced.

Orphanage Concert—The annual Christmas concert will be held at the Protestant Orphans' Home, Hillside Avenue, on Wednesday and Thursday evenings. A collection will be taken up each evening in aid of the Orphanage funds.

Rotary Programme—District Governor P. B. Scourah will address an informal luncheon meeting of the Victoria Rotary Club on Thursday at 12:10 p.m. in the Empress Hotel. Mr. Scourah will relate several of his experiences as governor of the Pacific Northwest Rotary District.

Loan for Nanaimo—Nanaimo will receive a loan of \$21,500 for direct relief purposes, the Provincial Government decided yesterday. The municipality will deposit ten-year bonds with the Provincial Treasury as security for an advance made at 5 per cent interest.

Rodent Pest—P. W. Fisher, who for some time was employed by the city as rat catcher, has just completed work of exterminating the pest in the Manor Road district. Anyone wishing the services of the rat catcher is asked to communicate with the city health office.

Theological Society—In future the weekly public meetings of the Victoria Independent Theological Society, Jones Building, Fort Street, will be held on Friday evenings, instead of Monday nights. The next public meeting will be held on Friday, January 4.

Annual Christmas Tree—The Christmas tree demonstration will be held next Wednesday, at 7:45 p.m. in the children. On Thursday evening there will be an entertainment for the children, who are specially invited guests of the local corps.

Assault Charge—In the city police court yesterday R. Waring was charged with assault upon John Wadden. An adjournment was taken until Monday morning on the request of the informant, who said he wished to have a witness called. The defendant, however, wanted to go on, intimating that no one had been present except themselves.

Is Public Holiday—Provincial officials emphasized yesterday that Boxing Day, December 26, must be observed as a public holiday within the meaning of the Weekly Half-Holiday Act. This means that not only will stores close, but employees must be given the day off. The holiday was sanctioned by provincial proclamation, it was pointed out.

On Inspection—Walter A. Rush, Ottawa, general superintendent of Federal radio-telegraph service, is visiting Victoria during the course of his inspection of radio-telegraph stations on the Coast. Arriving here, Mr. Rush registered at the Empress Hotel, and then called on E. J. Houghton, division superintendent of stations.

Oak Bay Building—Permits for two new homes in the municipality of Oak Bay have been taken out. One of these is for a five-roomed house—estimated to cost \$2,000—which will be erected at 2270 Thompson Avenue. The owner and builder is A. E. Ham, Mrs. E. Robson has taken out a permit for a home at 2439 Heron Street. It will contain four rooms and is estimated to cost \$1,600.

Extend Greetings—Officers and directors of the Victoria Welfare Foundation extend the season's greetings to friends and benefactors of the Sunshine Inn, and their thanks for assistance given to the institution during the past year. The officers and directors are F. E. Winslow, chairman; Captain Burgess J. Gadsden, founder-manager; G. A. Hebdon, secretary-treasurer; Mayor Leeming, Fred Landsberg, F. A. Lindsay and R. H. B. Ker, directors.

Arrange Contest—The annual contest for the Burrows Challenge Cup, the trophy awarded the member of the Victoria Short Wave Club contacting the greatest number of distant stations, will be held again this year, it was announced at a club meeting last night. The contest will be held from January 12 to 21. For contacting a European station after months of effort, Ronald Hough was made an honorary life member of the club.

Battalion Reunion—At a meeting of the 47th Battalion Association held recently in West Westminster, plans for a reunion to be held in March were discussed and a committee to make arrangements was appointed. The organization is inviting all men who served in the 47th B.C.F. to join up, sending in their names to the secretary-treasurer, P. Mead, 510 Seventh Avenue, West Westminster. The reunion will mark the twentieth anniversary of the formation of the battalion.

Clemency Exercised—Two Prince Rupert men, in jail for breach of the Government Liquor Act, accepting detention in default of fines of \$175 each, will be liberated on Christmas Eve. The Government ruled yesterday, A Victoria man who was sentenced to twenty days in jail, after proceedings in the city police court, had this sentence commuted to a fine of \$75, on review by the Provincial Executive. Those who may be, involuntary guests of the

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Social Activities and Notes of Personal Interest

Suppressed Excitement Reigns Among Invalids

Children's Ward at Jubilee Hospital Visited by
Santa Claus — Merry Time Is Had When
Presents Given and Concert Held

While thousands of shoppers busied themselves in the city last night, a ward full of children, some confined to bed with bandages about their heads, others with limbs in splints, while still others just recovering from serious illnesses of divers kind, welcomed Santa Claus with open arms and a great deal of suppressed excitement.

The scene of Santa Claus' visitation was the children's ward of the Jubilee Hospital, and the organization that made possible his visit, the Daughters of Pity. Miss Kathleen Roberts, president of the society, officiated as Santa Claus.

Just before Santa Claus arrived, and the concert was given, the children themselves enjoyed a little impromptu concert staged by the

nurses, and in which the children took part. "Jingle Bells," "Sleepy Town Express," "East Side, West Side," "Springtime in the Rockies," and many other songs were sung by nurses and invalids alike.

WARD DECORATED

The ward had been gayly decorated with lighted trees, festoons of cedar boughs, and red pendants. Mickey Mouse balloons, ordinary balloons, dolls, teddy bears, and other things that endear Christmas to the hearts of children, with their imaginative minds, were strewn about the ward.

One little boy, with fair, straight hair and dark brown eyes, was sitting up alert in bed when the sound of Santa Claus' bells was heard.

The boy, not more than two and a half years old, cried out "Jingle Bells," although to those who heard it sounded more like "Jingle Bung." He can hardly form his words properly yet. When Santa finally arrived, he still persisted in calling him "Jingle Bung." One gathered the association of the song with the character who has made it famous. Santa Claus was too ambitious a word for him to attempt. However, his little brain had fathomed it all out, and he enjoyed the present Santa gave him with just as much excitement as the older children.

LIKES OLD TEDDY

A sweet little girl, who was fair-haired, too, lay quietly in bed, and told visitors of her "very old Teddy bear." The older he grew the more she liked him, one visitor was informed. Her dainty little hands trembled with excitement as she hastened to untie the package that Santa Claus gave to her.

Santa Claus visited the babies' ward, just off the children's ward. There one baby slept through the entire visitation. Another's face broke into a smile as Santa pinned a colored rattle to the cover. Another baby, suffering from a skin

disease, cooed away and played with his toy, oblivious of his funny appearance in a mask that covered his face to keep him from scratching. One could see two eyes gleaming through holes about the size of a big penny. Another hole allowed the baby to breathe, and a slit gave access to the mouth.

The child, sitting there playing and babbling to himself, struck a note of sadness, and visitors could not find amusement in his grotesque appearance.

Samuel J. Drake, president of the hospital board, announced the artists who had come to entertain the children and visitors. The first artist was June Gibson, who gave a tap dance, arrayed in theatrical clothes. Gerald Elliott entertained the boys and girls with some Scotch dances, while Barbara Groves, dressed as a fairy, with wand in hand, sang a song and did a dance. Florence Hobday, dressed as Minnie Mouse, caused much mirth as she tap-danced through Minnie Mouse's antics. L. U. Conyers sang three numbers, which were much enjoyed. After the concert, ice cream was served to the children, who then were tucked in snugly for the night by the nurses, who had stayed beyond their usual time to help the children enjoy the Christmas fun arranged for them.

Studio Recital At B.C. Academy Is Interesting

A very interesting violin and piano recital was given by the pupils of Mr. and Mrs. E. Semple, in the British Columbia Academy of Music, on Saturday afternoon. The programme opened with a piano duet, played by Ursula Hills, and Ailsa Braidwood, which was given with fine spirit. A trio, Harry and Beach Richards, violins, with Margaret Worth at the piano, was much appreciated. The piano soloists were Helen Sylvester, Cameron Cross, Georgina Worth, Evelyn Pepper and Ursula Hills. The overture to "Norma" was very well played by Geraldine Percival and Phyllis Gillson.

The following played violin solos: Doreen Muford, Joy Berman, Harry Cross, Glen Hamilton and John Kennedy.

John Pepper, Elynth Anderson, violins, and Ursula Hills, piano, gave two trios, which were delightfully played.

The senior recital will be held early in the New Year.

T.V.A. Now Owns Its Headquarters

In connection with the turkey drive of the Tuberculous Veterans' Post No. 18, an enjoyable ceremony took place, on Thursday, when the mortgage on the Tuberculous Veterans' clubrooms, 812 Blanshard Street, was burned. This home was acquired by the "boys" in April, 1933, and ever since that date it has been the outstanding work of both the veterans and their Women's Auxiliary to clear this off and every effort has been made and the result has been crowned with success.

After the contest, Mr. Henry Gibson, the president of the T.V.A., gave a short address on the successful year they had enjoyed and thanked all for their co-operation and help, including the Women's Auxiliary. He introduced Mrs. W. H. Booth, the president of the auxiliary. In her usual genial manner she thanked all present for their help, and then burned the "mortgage." Tea was served and good wishes exchanged.

Old-Time Dance

Vancouver Encampment, No. 1, I.O.O.F., held another of its delightful old-time dances recently in their social hall, amid Christmas surroundings. Those present included Messrs. T. Reagle, Lanckich, P. Turner, Clarie Hopkin, Gladys West, B. Williams, V. Green, I. Stewart and L. Johnstone; Mrs. I. Martin, Meiss, Penman, F. Walker, V. Bell, P. Sparks, R. Hurry, Moore, H. Millar, P. Thompson, Cantling, Simpson, P. McDowell, J. Collins, H. Pavor, Dobie; Messrs. I. Speedie, H. Gonnason, D. Rogers, J. J. Anderson, R. Gonnason, Simpson, J. Bell, P. Sparks, Eric Wilson, Foster, H. Peterson, H. Anderson, F. Hurry, C. R. Pears, Cliff Moore, H. Pavor, A. Pavor, Ed West, J. Collins, W. Ed, P. McDonald, E. Gonnason and many others.

Their next old-time dance will be held on Tuesday, January 15, to which a general invitation has been extended to all Odd Fellows, Rebekahs, Theta Rho Girls' Clubs and their friends.

Christmas Party to Be Held by Staff

The Beaver Club singers and the Hudson's Bay Players, all members of the Hudson's Bay store staff, will hold a cabaret party at the Crystal Garden on Thursday evening. The Beaver Club singers, under the direction of Cyril C. Warren, L.A.B., will render a programme of Christmas music, while the players intend to introduce some special novelty features.

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Clubs and Societies

St. Columba's W.A.

The monthly meeting of the W.A. of St. Columba's was held recently at the home of Mrs. Deane-Cox, Burnside Road, with a good attendance of members. The secretary reported that all obligations had been met and a small balance to be used for Christmas cheer purposes. Four pins had been donated to girls in the Junior W.A. who merited them. The W.A. is also sponsoring the moving pictures which will be shown after the Sunday school tea, to be held on January 8. A small charge is being made in aid of the church funds.

Nominations of officers for the coming year were as follows: Honorary president, Mrs. Veale; president, Mrs. Rogers; vice-president, Mrs. Little; secretary, Mrs. Huntington; secretary-treasurer and social service secretary, Mrs. W. Foster; Living Message secretary, Miss Brown; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. P. Comley; extra cent, Mrs. Cox; prayer partner, Mrs. Veale; Thankoffering, Mrs. Gilham; Junior W.A. secretary, Miss D. Hills; delegates to Diocesan Board, Miss Brown and Mrs. Foster. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Veale, Jasmine Avenue.

Lodge Primrose

Lodge Primrose, No. 32, Daughters of England, held its twenty-first birthday banquet, on Friday, at the Douglas Cafe. Mrs. James, who is visiting in England, sent congratulations on the coming of age of the lodge. After the toasts had been responded to, a pleasing ceremony took place. The worthy district deputy, Mrs. Baron, presented Mrs. Wyman with a gift from the lodge, as being the oldest president in attendance at the time the lodge was organized. Worthy Mrs. Harrison gave a good report of the past years. Dr. J. W. Lennox gave an interesting talk. Worthy Mrs. Cavette, of Lodge Princess Alexandra, was a guest. In the evening a concert and dance was held, at the Sons of England Hall, for members and friends. The choir entertained the guests with a sketch and solos. Refreshments were served by the past presidents. Contests were won by Mrs. Walker, turkey; Mrs. Corliss, doll, and Mrs. Johnstone, tea cosy.

Princess Patricia Lodge

The regular meeting of Princess Patricia Lodge, No. 238, Daughters of St. George, was held in the K. of C. Hall on Friday evening, the president, Mrs. Tooby, in the chair. Mrs. Sparks gave the report of the bazaar. Mrs. Johnson reported that the members who are ill are improving. Mrs. Barker won the fruit cake, and at the close of the meeting a card game was held.

Bowling Club Dance

The Burnside Ladies' Lawn Bowling Club will hold a New Year's Eve dance at Hampton Hall. There will be a good orchestra and favors will be distributed. Refreshments will be served.

Birthday Party for

Miss Evelyn Grieve

An enjoyable evening was spent recently in the K. of C. Hall, the occasion being the twenty-first birthday of Miss Evelyn Grieve. Dancing was enjoyed. Among the gifts was a cedar chest from Miss Grieve's fellow employees.

The invited guests were: Misses B. Woods, B. Cliff, Gladys Nelson, M. Grieve, Irene Gandy, D. Middleton, T. Matthews, J. Cragill, M. Blackstock, R. Murphy, B. Boyce, M. Chow, M. Williams, B. Pollard, M. Heatley, G. Fuggle, F. Hutchinson, D. Higgins, A. Battison, E. Nex, A. Nex, A. Cochburn, S. Morgan, B. Cruickshanks, M. Morgan, P. Hawkes, M. Hawkes, D. McAlpine, P. McAlpine, Ruby Ford, May Ball, M. Panthorpe, M. Daley, R. Heal, B. Dobie, Olive Ireland, M. Nancarrow, K. Gregson, Z. Bradford, Elfreda Hughes, Olive Barker, Frances Patton, M. Black, C. Orrick, S. Gibbs, N. McKay, V. Ohmen, M. Mills, C. O'Connell, K. Freethy, O. Blakeney, M. Gootenka, M. Hamilton.

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BY NINA WILCOX PUTHAM



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Social Activities and Notes of Personal Interest



Wedding Is Solemnized At St. Mary's, Metchosis

The marriage was solemnized yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at St. Mary's Church, Metchosis, of Florence Gerrard, daughter of Mrs. J. W. Clark, of Tatamagouche, Nova Scotia, and of the late Dr. James W. Clark, and granddaughter of the late Rev. Thomas Sedgewick, D.D., of Tatamagouche, to Mr. James Ian Simpson, of Victoria, son of Mrs. Simpson, of Tighnadalloch, Perthshire, Scotland, and the late Mr. Simpson. Rev. H. M. Bolton, rector of St. Mary's Church, Metchosis, officiated, assisted by Rev. Canon Nunna, of St. Mary's Church, Oak Bay.

The bride, who was given in marriage by her brother-in-law, Dr. W. J. Boyd, of William Head, looked

very charming in a Molyneux model gown of French blue chiffon, made on long simple lines, the long-sleeved bodice being finished just below the neckline in front with a wreath of French flowers. With this she wore a large velvet hat of the same shade of blue, trimmed with similar flowers as those on the gown. She carried a beautiful arm bouquet of pink roses and an arrangement of pink and white forget-me-nots and white heather.

PRETTY LITTLE BRIDESMAID
Her only attendant was her niece, little Miss Philippa McLaren Boyd, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. W. J. Boyd, who looked particularly attractive in a pale pink d'esprit frock over pink crepe de Chine and a poke bonnet of same material, trimmed with forget-me-nots, and she carried a nosegay of pink sweet peas and blue forget-me-nots.

The groom was attended by Messrs. Reginald Wenman and William B. Leach, of Victoria. The organist of St. Mary's, Metchosis, Mrs. Gavin Weir, played the wedding music.

After the service a reception was held at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Boyd, William Head, where the bride and guests were assisted in receiving the guests by Mrs. Boyd, the bride's sister, wearing a gown of black chiffon, velvet, and a large black picture hat. Her corsage bouquet was of yellow roses.

THE DECORATIONS
The reception rooms were arranged with lovely chrysanthemums and greenery, and the dining table, where the buffet luncheon was served, was centred with a silver bowl of paper-white narcissi, with white tapers in silver candelabra at either side. Mrs. W. G. Wilson, of Victoria, and Mrs. E. H. Tremayne, of William Head, presided.

The toast to the bride was proposed in the form of poetry by her cousin, Dr. Garnett G. Sedgewick, of Vancouver, the guests joining in wishing the bride and groom every happiness.

Mr. and Mrs. Simpson left on the afternoon boat for Seattle, the bride traveling in a smart navy blue tailored suit, with a matching hat and a silver fox fur.

On their return they will make their home at "Glenlyon," St. David Street, Oak Bay, the preparatory school for boys, of which Mr. Simpson is the headmaster.

"THE CHILD"

By REGINALD H. WIGGINS, M.D.
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TRUTH—THE VIRTUE

Truth has been called the perfect, crystalline candor of life. It is not confined to the mere speaking the truth, but is an honest preference for reality, and this will ever be to the child more satisfying than anything obtained by expediency or subterfuge.

We all desire our children to develop into honest, sincere and truthful men and women, then we must remember that the earliest impressions make the greatest difference in later years.

The most frequent reason for telling an untruth is the desire to escape trouble. Do parents not actually promote this vice with their ready and irritating inquiries of "Did you do that?" or "Have you done this?"

That the growth of truth may be fostered, parents will have to read and digest the following:

(1) Have the child think that truth is possible, easy of attainment and always assumed by the parent. In case of an untruth, do not be amazed or horrified, but treat it lightly and quite frankly.

(2) The truthful answer will frequently be brought out, not by these irritating inquiries, but a steady, amused and twinkling, long look of enquiry into the child's eye will frequently bring out the truthful answer. Do not reprimand nor scold, but put forth an ideal and kindle the child's desire to reach it.

(3) Do not draw comparison with other children, but value each separate character in itself and display a genuine appreciation of all accomplishment in each individual child.

(4) Children will adopt a truthful attitude towards life when parents and those about them are scrupulously fair at cost to themselves; are not ashamed to acknowledge faults and never give false reasons for excusing themselves.

Tuesday's article: "Self-Control—The Goal of Child Training."

AT PALAIS DE DANSE

The Palais de Danse, Dallas Road, will be en fête on New Year's Eve, under the management of Mr. J. R. Small, when a special turkey dinner and dance will be held to usher in the new year. The dance will continue from 9 until 3 o'clock, a five-piece orchestra in attendance. Novelty floor acts will be a feature of the evening and the hall has been elaborately decorated for the occasion.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brodie (the bride was formerly Miss Charlotte Scarf), whose marriage took place recently, shown here with their attendants, Miss Elsie Brooks and Miss Mary Sager, cousin of the bride, the bridesmaids; Miss Mary E. Clendenan, maid of honor; Mr. Donald Johnston, best man, and Miss Shirlee Anderson, the flower girl.

Social and Personal Notes

Silver Wedding

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cave, Ellery Street, celebrated their silver wedding on Thursday, when many friends called during the day, or sent messages of greeting.

The young guests included: Misses Phyllis Pooley, Audrey Eberts, Betty Burns, Muriel Dunsmuir, Desiree Davis, Patricia Swan, Virginia and Lillian Ryan, Betty McMurray, Rosanna Gillespie, Jean Mayhew, Elizabeth Martin, Ruth Horton, Joan Cudemore, Patricia Beasley, Helen Baird, Joy Nixon, Jane Barker and Masters Allan Drummond, Harold and Edmond Horne, Rodney Hood, George and Francis Gregory, "Sandy" Hunter, Douglas McIntyre, Lloyd Morgan, Allan McPherson, Charles and Roland Hills, William Cameron, Dick Brown, Dennis Harris, Trevor Davis, Herbert and William Brown, Jack Grogan, James Eberts, Jeff Phillips, Bob Gonnason and Louis Ryan.

Christmas Dance

Miss Gwen Wright was a charming hostess last evening when she entertained a number of her friends at a jolly Christmas dance at the home of her grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kent, Oak Bay Avenue. The young guests included: Misses Phyllis Pooley, Audrey Eberts, Betty Burns, Muriel Dunsmuir, Desiree Davis, Patricia Swan, Virginia and Lillian Ryan, Betty McMurray, Rosanna Gillespie, Jean Mayhew, Elizabeth Martin, Ruth Horton, Joan Cudemore, Patricia Beasley, Helen Baird, Joy Nixon, Jane Barker and Masters Allan Drummond, Harold and Edmond Horne, Rodney Hood, George and Francis Gregory, "Sandy" Hunter, Douglas McIntyre, Lloyd Morgan, Allan McPherson, Charles and Roland Hills, William Cameron, Dick Brown, Dennis Harris, Trevor Davis, Herbert and William Brown, Jack Grogan, James Eberts, Jeff Phillips, Bob Gonnason and Louis Ryan.

Surprise Visit

A most enjoyable party was held last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Adams, 221 Esquimalt Road, when a number of their friends called unexpectedly to congratulate them upon the fortieth anniversary of their wedding. During the evening Mr. and Mrs. Adams were presented with a beautiful bouquet of chrysanthemums and a handsome linen tablecloth. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. Emery, Mrs. Lily Young, Mr. and Mrs. W. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. A. Borrowman, Mr. and Mrs. George Hall, Mr. and Mrs. A. Cookman, Mrs. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. T. Horne, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. T. Watson and Mr. and Mrs. J. Kinsman.

Birthday Party

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Scott, Collinson Street, entertained last evening in honor of the twenty-first birthday of their son, Gordon. Cards and contests were played by the guests, after which refreshments were served. Dancing brought an enjoyable evening to a close. The invited guests were: Misses Helen Clague, Phyllis Newton, Helen Peden, Molly Unsworth, Marjory Thomson, Laura Catterall, Gertrude Durkin, Helen Fenderast, Evelyn Foster, Mary Scott, Messrs. Howard English, Bill Irvine, Wilson Menzies, Ken Simpson.

Visitors for Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Naismith, Rockland Avenue, have as their guests for the Yuletide season Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Naismith and their two children, Shirley and Zeta, from Seattle, and Colonel A. M. Naismith, of Vancouver.

From Quebec

Mrs. J. S. Aikens and Miss J. M. Colby, of Stanstead, Que., arrived in Victoria, yesterday, and registered at the Empress Hotel. They will holiday in the city until January 12, when they plan to return East.

Leaves for Duncan

Miss Ruth Walcott, of Maple Bay, who has been visiting her cousins, Paymaster-Lieut. and Mrs. F. R. Nixon, Esquimalt Road, has left for Duncan, where she will spend Christmas with friends.

Arrives for Holiday

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Social Activities and Notes of Personal Interest



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Everything was joyous and the children's presence seemed to give an added sparkle to the scene, which was already gay with Christmas greenery and trees a-glimmer. The orchestra played throughout the afternoon, and before and after tea was served, the clowns distributed hundreds of brightly colored balloons to the children.

The clowns, "Torchy" Peden, Mr. McKinnon and Mr. Bob Gordon, acted their parts splendidly, turning somersaults and otherwise going through a series of mirth-provoking capers, which met with in-

stant approval and whole-hearted applause. A programme of dance numbers by the pupils of Miss Florence Clough was an added attraction, the first number being a tap dance by Ethel Gillis, Evelyn Finn and Winifred Hope, dressed in smart little white flannel kilts and skirts and bright green jumpers. The second number was a Spanish waltz by Beverly Armstrong, followed by a buck and wing tap dance by Velda Wille.

SILVER BALLET

A silver ballet was one of the most charming of the dances, Isaac Roskelley taking the solo dance part as the Fairy Queen. The solo song number, "Santa Claus is Coming to Town," was sung by little Nedra Mitchell and taking part in the ballet were Patsy Shapland, Maureen Ferguson, Leona Caldwell, Mary Lou Morgan, Barbara Warren, Beverly Francis, Corinne Earle, Doreen Dalziel, Joan Reid, Marjorie Jones, Joyce Currie and Donna Davis. They were fascinating ballet frocks of white and silver, which were effective against the background of green and red.

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Among those who reserved tables for the party were: Miss A. Aylard, with a party of six; Mrs. A. McHugh, with a party of three; Mrs. Bishop, with three; Mrs. E. Bendrodt, with four; Miss A. Cochran, with three; Mrs. George Tallamy,

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Anglican Young People

The weekly meeting of the Christ Church Cathedral A.Y.P.A. was held in the form of an old-time party and members attended in old-fashioned costumes. The business meeting was followed by a short programme in the auditorium, after which dancing was enjoyed in the gymnasium. At 10:45 o'clock a sit-down supper was served in the guild room, which had been very prettily and appropriately decorated for the occasion. After supper, the Christmas gifts were amusingly distributed to the members by Rev. T. R. Lancaster, who also presented Miss Helen Clague with the prize for the best dressed lady.

ST. LUKE'S

An evening of the annual five hundred was held in St. Luke's Hall, recently, by the A.Y.P.A. This game brought the season's games to a close. Twenty-one tables were in progress and the winners of the first prize of turkeys were Mrs. Merriman, Mrs. Logie, Mrs. Hubner and Mr. Hurley; second prize was won by Mrs. Hunter, Mrs. Reif, Mrs. Lloyd and Mr. Robinson; the consolation prize went to Miss M. Scholefield, Miss M. Burch, Mr. Watkins and Mr. Scott. Mr. Rensley and Mr. J. Holmes won the ten-bid. Three contest prizes were won by Miss L. Adams, Mr. J. Woods and Mr. Williams.

C.G.I.T. NOTES

VESPER SERVICE
Under the auspices of the Girls' Council, directed by Miss Minnie Beveridge, and the Boys' Work Board, directed by Rev. J. H. A. Warr, the C.G.I.T. girls and Tuxis boys of the city will hold a vesper service at the Christ Church Cathedral on Sunday, December 30, at 3:30 p.m. The theme of the service will be "The Cry of the Christ for a Comrade-like Earth," and it will be conducted by the boys and girls, assisted by Dean Quainton. A choir of C.G.I.T. girls will lead the singing. The members of the Older Boys' Parliament will attend the service in a body.

This inspiring service will bring to an appropriate close the year's work with boys and girls of the city, and all who are interested are invited to be present.

RAISED MONEY

The "Marina" C.G.I.T. group of the Church of Our Lord went caroling on December 18 in aid of a family of seven children. The girls were successful in collecting the sum of \$23.

HOLLYWOOD GROUP

Through the auspices of the intermediate group of the Hollywood Presbyterian C.G.I.T. department, a very successful White Christmas service was held in the Sunday school hall. Under the direction of Marion Lorne, the hall was beautifully decorated for the occasion. Nancy Cameron, the president, read the Scripture and suitable prayers were offered by Peggy White and Evelyn Taylor. In a very charming way, Joan Glendinning and Evelyn Taylor told the story, "Why the Chimes Rang," and Sheila Graves rendered a solo "Away in a Manger."

Throughout the service the congregation joined in singing some of the best-loved carols.

TURKEY DRIVE HELD

The turkey drive held at Magdalen Hall on Friday evening under the auspices of the Ward Four Sanich C.C.F. No. 1 Club proved to be one of the most successful gatherings of its kind in the district for many years. Twenty-two tables were required to accommodate the players. Progressive five hundred was played with turkeys for the winners. Play throughout was keen, only twenty points separating the winners, who were as follows: Mrs. C. Graham, Mrs. F. Smith, Mr. R. Wilkinson and Mr. T. Neiligan. The holders of lucky tickets in the contest were: Messrs. W. J. Adamson, R. Ponsford, P. Johnston. Refreshments were served by a committee composed of Mesdames Shingleton, Smith, Goldie, Hooper, Alexander, Gorton, Allgood and Hanson. The next card party will be held on Friday, December 28, at 8 o'clock.

Christmas Secrets With Santa Claus!



Keating School Has Its Concert

Pupils of Keating School held their annual Christmas concert in the Temperance Hall. Trustee W. P. Jeune, chairman of the Saanich School Board, acted as chairman for the evening. At the conclusion of the programme, Santa Claus arrived to give the gifts to the children, from a decorated tree. Each child received a gift, a bag of candy and an orange. Refreshments were served to all present. A box of chocolate was won by little "Abbie" Hafer, and a Christmas cake by Mr. Fred Asot, Victoria.

The following was the programme: Carol, "Once in Royal David's City"; dance, "The Sleeping Princess"; play, "Curds and Whey"; recitation, "The Little Turtle"; Duncan MacKinnon; dance, "How Do You Do?"; drill, boys of the school; Scandinavian Folk dance; chairman's remarks; play, "Hansel and Gretel"; recitation, "Splash"; Arthur Hafer; dance, "Kull-Dansen"; duet, "My Shadow"; Helen Breitenbach and Adolphine Severs; dialogue, "The Fisherman's Luck"; the "Doll's Dance"; carol, "Silent Night! Holy Night!"; school.

Jim—All the prizes at the swimming gala last week were carried off by one man.
Jack—What did he get?
Jim—Six months.

Daily Bridge Question No. 58

The bidding:
North East South West
1 ♠ Pass 6 ♣ Pass
Pass Double Pass Pass
Pass
You, West, hold:
♠ 10 9 8
♥ 6 5
♦ 10 6 3
♣ Q J 10 8 2

What card do you lead, and why? Answers to these questions must be the day the question is published, and addressed to Macan & Mitchell, 221-223 Pemberton Building.

Answer to Question No. 57

When West fails to follow on the second trump lead, East is marked with the queen and another trump still outstanding, and South's only hope of making his contract is to resort to the grand coup, i.e., trump-dont, you fill the little roller with cracked ice. The roller retains the cold, but at the same time does not become frigid enough to harm the skin. I think that, although this little gadget may be used for a variety of purposes, such as toning the skin, soothing tired eyes, relieving headaches and the like, its best use is as an aid in an astringent pack. The first thing to do is to cut a mask out of several thicknesses of cheesecloth. Then dip the mask into a good astringent. There are many effective astringents now on the market, and you can make an excellent one yourself out of equal parts of rose-water, glycerine and witch hazel. If you prefer, cleanse your face then with a good, liquefying cleansing cream, and apply the astringent.

Gladys Glad On Beauty

The vivacious Ginger Rogers, whose grand dancing in her latest picture has excited raves from even the most begrudging of critics, has really perfect chin and face contours. Ginger believes that the skin of the face and neck requires plenty of toning, if it is to retain its firmness and smoothness of contour. And so she administers frequent cold applications to her skin, in order to keep it firm and fine-textured. There was a time when women used ice in the raw on their faces.

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Mr. Steven Ridout returned recently after a short stay in Tofino.

Rev. J. W. Leighton is staying at the Bayview Lodge over the weekend, but will return to Tofino for the Christmas festivities.

Mr. and Mrs. K. Miller have returned from Victoria and Vancouver, where they spent several weeks holidaying.

Miss E. Moore, of Alberni, has arrived in Ucluelet, where she will reside for the next few months.

Miss Violet Fletcher, of Victoria, arrived on the Ss. Princess Maquinna and will spend the Christmas holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. Fletcher, at the Ucluelet lighthouse. She will return to Victoria early in the new year.

Mrs. Harold Arnet, who has been spending a few days at Long Beach, has left for her home in Tofino.

Y.W.C.A. Notes

CANDLE LIGHT VESPER SERVICE

A candle light vesper service will be held today at 4 p.m., to which all members and friends of the association are invited. It will be a special Christmas service and the programme is one which has been planned by the National Y.W.C.A. of the United States to be used by all associations. Mrs. Kier will be the soloist. Club girls will take part in the tableau.

CLUB MEETINGS

There will be no club meetings until Thursday, January 3.

NEW YEAR'S EVE

A New Year's Eve party is being planned in co-operation with the Y.M.C.A. Tickets are available for any young people who wish to come.

CHRISTMAS DAY

On Christmas Day the residents of the association will have a Christmas tree at breakfast time, and at 1 p.m. the usual Christmas dinner will be served to the public.

STORY AND PLAY HOUR

The story and play hour will be discontinued until Saturday morning, January 5, at 10:30 o'clock, when Miss King will be in charge of the story hour, and Miss Cameron of the games.

A schoolboy of tender years is said to have produced the following essay on the camel: "The cannimal is a sheep of the desert. It is called a backer because it has a hump on its back."

"The cannimal is very patient, and will lie down and die without a groan, but when it is angry it gets back up, which is called taking the hump."

"The shepherds of cannimals is called Arabs. When they live in towns they are called street Arabs."

"When the cannimal goes on a journey it drinks as much as it can to last for many days."

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WINNER OF CAKE

The Christmas cake competed for in a contest arranged by the Edward Prince of Wales Chapter, L.O.E., in aid of the Christmas hamper fund, was won by Mr. H. Finch, 135 Harrison Street.

Little Bertie, aged six, was taking a motor trip to South Africa with her parents. When they crossed the Vaal River he looked around and showed he was not well pleased. "Don't you like the 'Transvaal'?" his mother asked. "It's all right," said Bertie, "but on my geography map it's red."

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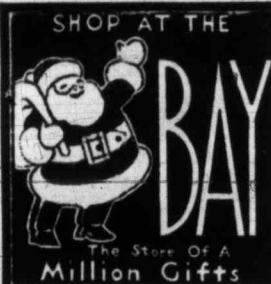
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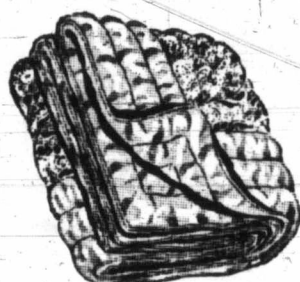
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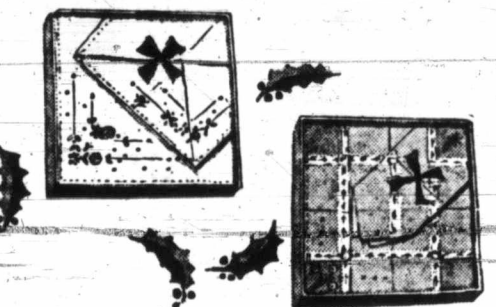
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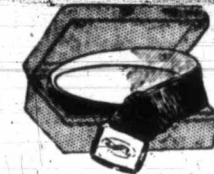
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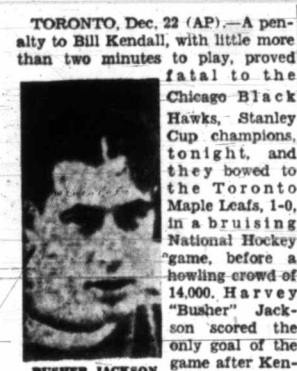
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BUSHY JACKSON

TORONTO, Dec. 22 (AP).—A penalty to Bill Kendall, with little more than two minutes to play, proved fatal to the Chicago Black Hawks, Stanley Cup champions, tonight, and they bowed to the Toronto Maple Leafs, 1-0, in a bruising National Hockey game, before a howling crowd of 14,000. Harvey "Busher" Jackson scored the only goal of the game after Kendall was tripping Hal Cotton. The ace left-winger of the Leafs took a penalty shot into the lower corner. So closely did the teams check that twenty penalties were meted out. Each goalie had twenty-nine shots as further indication of the closeness of the struggle.

Before the game an impressive tribute was paid to the memory of Charley Gardiner, great goalie of the Hawks, who died last Summer. The crowd rose for two minutes while a picture of the curly-haired net-minder, in Black Hawk uniform, was shown on a screen in his familiar goal-tending pose.

Line-Ups
Toronto — Hainsworth; Hollett, Day; Metz; Kilrea, Boll. Spares: Horner, Clancy, Blair, Cotton, Conacher, Primeau, H. Jackson, Kelly, A. Jackson.

Chicago — Chabot; Coulter, Burke; Morenz; Gottselig, March. Spares: Wiebe, Thompson, Couture, Locking, Kendall, Cook, Rommes, McFayden, Trudel.

Officials—A. G. Smith and Dinny Dinsmore.

Summary
First Period—No score. Penalties: Cook (2), Day, March, Cotton, Jackson, Kendall.

Second Period—No score. Penalties: Day, Thompson, Primeau, March, Jackson, Trudel, Conacher. Third Period—1, Toronto, Jackson (Kilrea), 18:19. Penalties: Coulter, Jackson, Rommes, Burke, Metz, Kendall.

RANGERS BEAT MAROONS

MONTREAL, Dec. 22 (AP).—Two quick thrusts by the Cook-Boucher-March line and a magnificent goal-tending performance by Dave Kerr, enabled the New York Rangers to score a surprising 2-1 victory over the Montreal Maroons, tonight.

Bun Cook scored Ranger goals in the first and second periods, with Bill Cook and Boucher drawing assists on each, but Kerr's wizardry in the nets was the prime feature. The Montrealers had a wide edge in territorial play throughout.

But they found Kerr next to impossible to beat. All told, the Rangers' new goal-tender kicked out thirty-seven shots, while Alex Connell, in the Maroons' net, had only sixteen stops.

The Rangers seemed headed for a shutout, until the third period, when the Maroons took advantage of an opportunity presented after Ching Johnson had been banished to the penalty box for tripping. Just before he got back, Lionel Conacher carried the puck into a corner, passed to Russ Blinco, who relayed the puck, in turn, to Earl Robinson. The latter's shot, from in close, beat Kerr.

Line-Ups
Line-ups follow:
Rangers—Kerr; Seibert, Johnson; Boucher; W. Cook, P. Cook. Spares: Cliton, Murdoch, Keeling, Levinaky, Somers, Heller, Connolly, Mason, Patrick.

Maroons — Connell; Westworth, Evans; Blinco; Robinson, Trotter. Spares: Conacher, Ward, Northcott, Smith, Cain, Haines, Shields, Galtner, Marker.

Officials—Roddan, McCurry.

Summary
First Period—1, Rangers, P. Cook (W. Cook and Boucher), 14:58.

Second Period—2, Rangers, P. Cook (W. Cook and Boucher), 10:12. Penalty: Seibert.

Third Period—3, Maroons, Robinson (Conacher and Blinco), 6:29. Penalty: Johnson.

NELS STEWART STARS

BOSTON, Dec. 22 (AP).—Big Nels Stewart, who gets his goals in pairs, pulled the Boston Bruins into a 4-3 victory over the Detroit Red Wings with a sensational closing rally, tonight, before a crowd of 7,500, at the Boston Garden.

The red-shirted forces, thanks to

the sharp shooting of Larry Aurie and Cooney Weiland, in the first and second periods, appeared to have the game under control until the last seven minutes of play, when the Bruins tied the score. A shot fired by Marty Barry deflected off Doug Young's stick into the Detroit cage.

This freak counter tempted the Bruins and they forced matters by throwing five men into the attack. Eddie Shore was trapped on a rush broken up by Herb Lewis, and that left-winger beat the puck to the Boston zone, where he fed Weiland, who figured in all of the Wings' tallies, a second scoring shot.

Trailing 3-2, with less than three minutes to play, Stewart, Beattie and Charles G. Smith cut loose in wild abandon and forced over two goals in 69 seconds flat to turn back Jack

Line-Ups
The line-ups follow:
Boston — Thompson; Seibert, Shore; Kaminsky; Barry, Clapper. Spares: Stewart, Beattie, Shill, Portland, Williams, O'Neil, Gagnon, Jerwa, Sands.

Detroit — Smith; Young, Goodfellow; Weiland; Lewis, Aurie, Spares: Sorrell, Gross, Wiseman, Graham, Buswell, Boyd, Duguid, Anderson. Officials—Stewart and Bell.

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FOOTBALL

Juvenile, Under Sixteen

Capitals 4, St. Louis College 0.

Hill's Corner 2, Esquimalt 1.

Under Eighteen

Victoria West Cubs 1, Oak Bay 0.

Marigold 3, Victoria City 0.

Leaming Cup, Semi-Final

Esquimalt 4, Victoria City 1.

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RUGBY

Intermediate League

Wanderers' Blues 14, Wanderers' White 0.

Canadian Scottish 8, Fifth Regiment 0.

Senior League

Navy 11, Garrison 3.

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BASKETBALL

Canadian Scottish 28, Regents 14.

Kingsham-Gillespie 35, Black Hawks 22.

Victoria Blue Ribbons 35, Seattle Union Oil 32.

Raymond, McGill, Mondou, Goldworthy and S. Mantha.

St. Louis — Beveridge, Bowman, Spares: Wilcox, Ayers, Voss, Brydson, Howe, E. Roche, Wasie, Ripley and Patterson.

Referees—O. Cameron and G. V. Goodman.

SUMMARY

First Period—1, Canadiens, Lepine (Larochelle), 1:45. Penalties: Ayers, Patterson, Jenkins.

Second Period—No score. Penalty: Ayers (major).

Third Period—2, St. Louis, Brydson (Howe-Voss), 4:07; 3, Canadiens, McGill (Jenkins-Larochelle), 8:40. Penalty: Jollat.

LOW SCORES

FEATURE OF

\$4000 OPEN

Trio Tied for Top Place at

Halfway Mark in Pasadena Golf Tourney

By PAUL ZIMMERMAN

BROOKSIDE PARK, PASADENA, Calif., Dec. 22 (AP).—After a long parade of sensationally low scores, Charley Guest, Los Angeles; Harold McSpaden, Kansas City, Kansas; and Johnny Revolta, Milwaukee, held the lead at the halfway mark of the Pasadena \$4,000 open golf tournament today with cards of 137.

Guest, the last of these three cash-seeking caballeros to finish, had the most amazing score of all, a 66, five strokes under par, to add to his 71 of yesterday for a full share of the spotlight. Early in the day, McSpaden had posted a 67 to match his 70 of the first round. It appeared for

a time this would stand up without opposition until Revolta, putting with all the skill he showed two seasons ago, paraded in with a 68 on top of his 69 of yesterday.

Deep shadows shrouded the Arroyo Seco when Guest finished. He needed only a par for a tie, but the Brumel of the bunkers wanted the lead. On the eighteenth in two, he tried desperately to sink a forty-five foot putt for a birdie three, but the ball died two inches short of the cup.

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Field Much-Improved Eleven to Score Clear-Cut Win in Opening Game of Leeming Cup Competition—March and Sweeney Strengthen Winner's Back Division

Marching out their best team since the season opened, one which was soundly strengthened by the inclusion of Ab March at left full-back, Ivan Sweeney at right half, and a switched front line, Esquimalt marched into the final of the annual Mayor David Leeming Cup series, in the first division of the Victoria and District Football League, yesterday afternoon, at the Royal Athletic Park, by trimming Victoria City by a 4-1 score. The dockers will now meet the winners of the Victoria West-Saanich Thistles match, scheduled to be played next Saturday at the same enclosure.

Forced to play on a pitch that was covered with mud inches deep from post to post, and during a heavy downfall of rain, the teams, especially the more experienced Esquimalt eleven, put up a good exhibition. If the game had been called off, the majority of the faithful would have been satisfied, as it was raining hard at the commencement, and the field area was sprinkled

with miniature lakes and mud, which made the going tough.

DOCKERS LOOKED GOOD

However, the game went on, with the City taking the field with but eight players. Esquimalt looked like a championship squad in the mud. Their short-passing game and all-round teamwork proved a baffling problem to their younger opponents, who apparently play better soccer on a dry field. March was a tower of strength to the dockers' back division, while Sweeney was worth his weight in gold on the half line. The right wing combination of Stewart, at inside, and John Watt, out on the lane, worked cleverly, ably helped along by the smooth playing of Sweeney.

Another forward who turned in a smart performance was Barney Barnswell at left wing. He worked well along with Wagland, and that's where he should be for the rest of the season. Of course, with De Costa back between the uprights, Esquimalt were safer on the defence. Louis guarded his goal in fine style. Wally Rowe had a busy time in the City net, and was covered with mud at the finish from diving here and there after shots. He had little chance for the shots which beat him.

Opening with three men short, the City were forced on the defence. After a few minutes' play, the City broke clear with Gibbons in the first half.

After seven minutes, "Scotty" put Esquimalt in the lead when he scored following a foul called against Moore, just outside the penalty area. Jock McBay crossed to the goal area beautifully. John Watt headed the ball back to Stewart, who beat Rowe with a drive to the far corner. Three minutes later it was 2-0 for Esquimalt. Combining in fine fashion, Stewart swung the ball to Watt, who crossed to the goalmouth. Barnswell tried a first timer, but the leather slipped off his foot to Mail, who was in good position, and he scored easily.

Again Esquimalt came back with

Babe Ruth With Japanese Bat Boys



Here is George Herman Ruth with the Bat Boys at the Koshien Stadium, Osaka. Babe Managed the American League Team That Recently Played and Won Eighteen Games Against Japanese Opposition.

Mainland Rugby Team Will Play Locals Saturday

VICTORIANS will get their first glimpse at a Vancouver Rugby machine this week, when the Occasional, strong contenders for senior honors on the Mainland, invade the city to play an exhibition fixture against Canadian Scottish, local senior aggregation. The match will take place at Macdonald Park, at 3:30. Local fans will have the opportunity of witnessing one of the most powerful fifteens in Vancouver competition, a squad which boasts of having seven-players on the Vancouver "rep" side. In order to give the visitors a battle, the Scottish will hold several stiff workouts and expect to be in the best of condition and at full strength for the engagement.

Jack Payne picked up the rebound, but shot wide of the net. After twenty-five minutes of splashing their way through a sea of mud, Esquimalt got their fourth and final tally when Barney Barnswell beat Rowe to the ball and caught the net with a fine drive from almost an impossible angle. The remaining minutes were up and down the field, with mud and water splashing the players at nearly every move.

Cull refereed and teams follow: Esquimalt—De Costa, Joe Watt, March, Sweeney, Hay, McBay, John Watt, Stewart, Mail, Wagland and Barnswell.

Victoria City—Rowe, Stoffer, Halkett, Moore, Robbins, Gibson, L. Gibbons, Hodgson, Young, J. Payne, G. Payne, Smith and Moody.

Pro Patria Wins Billiard Titles

Pro Patria dominated play in the first-half campaigns in the various sections of the Inter-Service Billiard League, which just completed schedules until after the Yuletide season. The Pats captured first honors in "A," "B" and "C" sections, after some keen competition. Second-half schedules will be commenced during the early part of January.

SPAVIN LOSES FIGHT VERDICT

Local Boy Drops Decision at Lady Smith to Biff Griffin in Slow Exhibition

LADYSMITH, Dec. 22.—The Athletic Hall here was the rendezvous of a fair crowd of fight fans last night, when Biff Griffin, of Hillcrest, took a popular decision over Walt Spavin, of Victoria, in their three-round encounter.

This affair was the highlight of the evening's card, and proved a rather slow event at 137 pounds. Both men were inclined to be cautious, with Griffin consistently setting the pace throughout. Charlie Russell and Abe Wilson provided three rounds of comedy relief and lively sparring. The fact that the rugby Abe gained the decision, merely implies there is some unlearned virtue in great height and a mighty reach. Certainly Russell, stocky and lively, provided the major part of the action.

Pete Tassin, the local favorite, and Smoky Hodgson, of Nanaimo, staged a fast and clever exhibition, while Eddie James, of Ladysmith, decidedly outpointed Fred Potts, of Victoria, all the way. In the juvenile prelims, Wallace Gourlay and Kenneth Medland, both local lads, fought a draw, while Ray Battle, the home town boy, edged a decision over young Laurence Mann, of Victoria.

In the mat events, Pete Politano gained a fall over young Bob Halberg, and Allan Macdonald wrestled Pug Biggs, of Nanaimo, to a draw.

Hillcrest Club To Stage Dance On Boxing Day

With the holiday season in full swing and dances and entertainments of various types dominating the Hillcrest Badminton Club will stage a monster dance and social on Boxing Day evening in their clubhouse at the Rex Theatre, commencing at 9 o'clock. A well-organized committee has been in charge of the function, and it is expected that a large number of members and their friends will attend. A first-class orchestra has been engaged, and the hall will be decorated for the occasion.

Sunderland Loses To Liverpool, 3-2 In English League

Leaders of First Division Drop Close Game—Arsenal Beaten by Derby County—Manchester City Blanked—Stoke City Wins—Rangers Register Easy Victory

LONDON, Dec. 22 (CP).—Leaders in the First Division of the English Football League took losses, today, as they started the season's toughest grind, four games in a week. No change occurred in the first four places of the standing, however.

League-leading Sunderland team playing at home went down before Liverpool, 3-2, while the mighty Arsenal playing at Derby County was beaten, 3-1.

Manchester City took a 5-0 beating from Wolverhampton Wanderers, but retained third place, although Stoke, downing Huddersfield Town, 4-1, crept up into a tie. Brentford stayed in the lead of the Second Division with a slim 2-1 victory over Sheffield United.

Charlton Athletic's 3-1 victory over Reading left it in first place of the Southern Section of the Third Division. Tranmere Rovers led the Northern Section with a 0-0 tie against Chester.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE
GLASGOW, Dec. 22 (CP).—Leaders in Scotland's First Division football race came through, today, with victories, leaving the division standing unchanged with Rangers still at the top.

The league-leading Rangers scored a smashing 8-1 victory over Dundee United, while Hamilton Academicals eked out a 2-1 win over Aberdeen.

Celtic scored a victory over Kilmarnock to the tune of 3-2. A 4-2 victory over King's Park left Third Lanark in top position of the Second Division.

ENGLISH LEAGUE

First Division

Aston Villa 1, Blackburn Rovers 1. Chelsea 2, Middlesbrough 1. Derby County 3, Arsenal 1. Everton 2, Birmingham 0. Grimsby Town 3, Sheffield Wednesday 1. Huddersfield Town 1, Stoke City 4. Leicester City 6, Portsmouth 3. Preston North End 1, West Bromwich Albion 2. Sunderland 2, Liverpool 3. Tottenham H. S. 1, Leeds United 1. Wolverhampton 5, Manchester City 0.

Second Division

Barnsley 2, Fulham 0. Bolton Wanderers 4, Blackpool 2. Bradford City 4, Notts Forest 0. Burnley 0, Newcastle United 3. Manchester United 3, Plymouth Argyle 1. Notts County 1, Hull City 1. Oldham Athletic 1, West Ham United 2. Port Vale 1, Bradford 1.

Third Division—Northern Section

Accrington Stanley 5, Barrow 2. Chester 0, Tranmere Rovers 0. Crewe Alexandra 1, Walsall 0. Darlington 5, Carlisle United 0. Doncaster Rovers 2, Halifax Town 1.

Third Division—Southern Section

Aldershot 0, Exeter City 0. Brighton 0, Millwall 2. Gateshead 2, Mansfield Town 2 (abandoned, fog). New Brighton 0, Lincoln City 2. Southport 2, Wrexham 1. Stockport County 4, Chesterfield 2. York City 0, Rochdale 1.

Huskies Beaten In Cage Tussle Against Trojans

SEATTLE, Dec. 22 (AP).—University of Southern California Trojans raced to a 40-to-24 win tonight over the Washington Huskies, evening up their two-game pre-season series. The triumph may be costly as Lee Guttero, Trojans star centre, injured his leg in the last few minutes of play and was carried from the floor. Washington won last night, 39 to 30.

Second Division

Dundee United 0, Brechin City 2. East Fife 3, Cowdenbeath 2. East Stirling 3, Morton 1. Dumbarton 2, Edinburgh City 0. Forfar Athletic 4, Raith Rovers 1. King's Park 2, Third Lanark 4. Leith Athletic 2, St. Bernard's 1. Montrose 2, Alloa 2. Stenhousemuir 6, Arbroath 0.

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Plays and Players

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The Canal Zone has gone into the movies. It plays an important role as background for the romantic drama, "Marie Galante," which is now at the Dominion Theatre. The story concerns a French girl and a number of residents of the Canal Zone. In addition to centering about the present waterway, it also concerns the old diggings made by the French a number of years before America became actively interested in the project. Passage of the United States fleet through the Panama Canal was photographed by Fox Film cameras, operating under a special permit from the Government obtained by Henry King, director of "Marie Galante," and Winfield Sheehan, vice-president and general manager, who produced the picture. Interesting "shots" of this historic event are included in the completed film. Spencer Tracy and Ketti Gallian, exotic young French actress who is making her screen debut in the title role of "Marie Galante," are co-starring in the picture, with a strong supporting cast that includes Ned Sparks, Helen Morgan, Siegfried Rumann, Leslie Penton, Robert Lorraine, Arthur Byron, Jay C. Flippen and Stephen Fetchit.

Famous Choir of Vienna

The Vienna Boys' Choir, who will be heard at the Empire Theatre on January 3. This noted group of singers has been well received by leading critics of the world.

AMUSING STORY IS AT PLAYHOUSE

"Ladies—Should Listen" Features Cary Grant—Jane Eyre Also on Bill

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On the Screen
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Columbia—"Rocky Rhodes," starring Buck Jones.
Dominion—Spencer Tracy in "Marie Galante."
Playhouse—"Ladies Should Listen," starring Cary Grant.

Warner Oland Is Superb As Clever Charlie Chan

Charlie Chan, smoothest of modern sleuths, is on the trail again in "Charlie Chan in London," the thrilling Fox Film mystery which is now at the Capitol Theatre.

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FINANCE - COMMERCE - MARKETS

Security Prices Hold Steady at New York Mart

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (AP).—Security markets drifted through a quiet week-end session today, while principal commodities pointed higher.

A flurry of trading in the shares of Radio Corporation of America, in response to Friday night's announcement that the directors had decided against any recapitalization at this time, enlivened an otherwise listless session in shares.

Radio preferred "B" dropped nearly 5 points to 37. Public Service of New Jersey dipped a fraction under 28 to a new low for some time. Columbia Gas preferred "B" at 45 was off about 12 points since it last traded. North American dipped a fraction. American Telephone rose 3 1/2 points to 103 3/4.

Among shares off to fractional were Bethlehem Steel, Chesapeake & Ohio, Deere, Union Carbide, U.S. Steel, U.S. Smelting, New Haven Railroad and others, while Coca-Cola, Eastman Kodak, and Scott Paper lost about a point. Allied Chemical, American Radiator, National Distillers and Schenley were up fractions.

Among the Canadian issues, International Nickel preferred and National Steel Car each lost a point. Fractional advances were scored by Canadian Industrial Alcohol, Hiram Walker, Ford of Canada and Canadian Pacific Railway.

Scattered recoveries appeared in Saturday's brief session of the bond market, but the list, as a whole, moved in an irregular range.

In the foreign division, German Agricultural Bank 6's of 1938 rallied 6 points to 51.

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ELECTRICAL AND MANUFACTURING
 Allis Chalmers Mfg. 14 1/2
 Elec. Auto Life 26 1/2
 General Electric 19 1/2
 Westinghouse Elec. 34 3/4

MISCELLANEOUS AND MANUFACTURING
 Am. Can. Co. 108 1/2
 Borden 15 1/2
 Burroughs Adding 14 1/2
 Celanese Corp. 32 1/2
 Concholum Naira 32 1/2
 Continental Can 62 1/2
 Curtiss-Wright 2 1/2
 Deere Corp. 22 1/2
 Douglas Aircraft 22 1/2
 Dupont de Nemours 92 1/2
 Eastman Kodak 32 1/2
 Gillette 13 1/2
 Gold Dust 17 1/2
 Int. Harvester 38 1/2
 Nor. Am. Av. 3 1/2
 Pullman 48 1/2
 Radio Corp. of Am. 6 1/2
 Stinson Co. 11 1/2
 United Airways 13 1/2

RAILROADS
 Chesapeake Corp. 44 1/2
 Ches. & Ohio 43 1/2
 C. M. & St. P. 32 1/2
 Del. Lack & West. 17 1/2
 Great Northern Ind. 16 1/2
 Illinois Central 18 1/2

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Task Made Difficult by
Strong Winds—Work
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MONTREAL, Dec. 22 (CP).—The
Montreal Harbor Bridge, now known
as the Jacques Cartier Bridge, has
just been given a new winter over-
coat. But painting a large structure
of this kind is not the easy task that
most people would imagine.

The job consisted of painting two
protective coats of preservative paint
to the steel structure, which is two
and a half miles in length. The re-
port presented to the Government
authorities by the contractors after
the job had been completed showed
that 300 men worked for 7,000 man

hours to apply 6,400 gallons of spe-
cially prepared paint at a cost of
\$80,000.

Scaffolding was used to paint the
underside and sides of the bridge,
while chair-like girders were used to
paint the girders and arms.

Preference was given to war vet-
erans in the employing of men for
this paint job, and in spite of the
danger caused by the height of the
structure, the strong wind blowing
along the river and the narrow gir-
ders which had to be painted, only
one man was killed. He lost his
footing while walking along an up-
per girder and plunged down to the
water several hundred feet below.

The old fellow was asking a
friend's advice on how to apply for
a raise in wages.

"Just you go up to the master,
Joe," said the friend, "and say,
'Look here, master, you must give
me a rise or else I'll...'" Say it,
just like that. Then he'll think
you mean to leave unless you get
the rise."

Joe went to his master and said:
"Look here, master, you must give
me a rise, or else I'll..."

"Else you'll what?" snapped the
employer.

Joe scratched his head in per-
plexity, then answered:

"Else I'll go on working for the
same money."

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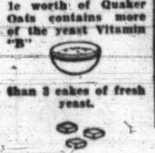
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Little Bedtime Stories

A Red-Coated Spy

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

Chatterer the Red Squirrel is a
born spy. In this respect he and
Sammy Jay are as like as two peas
in a pod. They dearly love to pry
into the affairs of their neighbors
and to do it secretly. They are al-
ways and forever snooping out try-
ing to find out things. Of course it
is a dreadful habit. Nobody likes
people who do such things. All the
same, both Sammy Jay and Chat-
terer have more than once saved
the life of another of the little peo-
ple of the Green Forest or the
Green Meadows by giving warning
of danger—danger discovered by
just this snooping around.

Chatterer was quite as well fixed
for the winter as Happy Jack,
so he hadn't anything more to
occupy his time than had his
cousin in grey. About the time that
Happy Jack took into his head to go
look for the storehouses of Chat-
terer, the latter began to wonder
about Happy Jack. He didn't waste
a great deal of time wondering. He
never does. He starts at once to try
to find out. He did that this time.
Now, when Chatterer wants to
find out a thing, like the true spy
that he is, he tries to keep out of
sight himself, and usually he suc-
ceeds. There is no one quicker
than Chatterer the Red Squirrel.
He can dodge the trunk of a tree in
the twinkling of an eye. So when
he really wants to keep out of sight
it is no trouble at all for him to do
so. Happy Jack, his cousin in grey,
had no idea that Chatterer was
anywhere about, or he never, never

Victoria People Good to Children The Year Through

Babies, Orphans, Unbefriended and Unhomed
Receive Sympathetic Help—Writer Charges
Citizens With Conspiracy to Give Boys and
Girls of Community a Chance

By REV. DR. J. K. UNSWORTH

IN the dusk of a June day, nine years ago last Summer, a
young woman, with a bundle in her arms, might have been
seen stealthily making her way through the shrubbery in
the grounds of a large building on Cooke Street North. The
bronze glow of the after-sunset lingers on the Sooke Hills, but
darkness shrouds the girl—she is but a girl—heart. The
bundle is her two-week-old baby—a child unfathered, un-
homed, unnamed; at one time unwanted, but now not unloved.

Light streaming out of the many
windows and children's voices with-
in seem to her to give a welcome to
the wail, which now she places on the
doorstep. It is in a basket, like
the babe among the Nile bullrushes.
Ringing the bell, the girl retreats
into the shadows. The motherly
superintendent opens the door, to
find the babe, like and unlike the
Babe of Bethlehem, wrapped in
swaddling clothes, lying in a basket.

They search for the mother, call-
ing in the darkness for her, but she
is not to be found. Assured of her
child's welcome and care, she has
slipped into the unknown. In the
following years the good women of
the shelter, noticed one woman
among the visitors at the public en-
tertainments who seemed to con-
centrate wistful eyes upon the grow-
ing child. Perhaps it was the
mother. But the little fellow was
exceptionally bright and drew many
admiring glances to his crib and his play-
room. One day a childless couple
from New York happened along, and
now, at ten years of age, the one-
time foundling writes to his foster-
mothers about his happy home and
kind parents in the far-off city.

Motherliness is the glory of the
spacious red building on Cook Street
that stands out on the Hillside sky-
line. For sixty-one years the Protes-
tant Orphanage has kept the door
open for the needy child. Found-
lings have been few, but a mother's
heart has ever answered the door-
bell of a child's need. About two
thousand of these have come over
the years.

and in earlier days to what is now
the Y.W.C.A. Annex on Courtney
Street. The visitor can see the multitude
of names in the register. What stories
its pages might conjure up! What
tragedies! Yes, what glorious redemptions.

Here were housed for a period
about twenty unhomed Doukhobor
children. Hither came at one time
a sorrowful group of seventeen or-
phans, whose fathers had perished in
a mining disaster Up-Island. Coal
that warms the home had taken the
terrible toll of human lives.

OPEN FOR SIXTY-ONE YEARS

For three score years this home for
the friendless child, initiated by
Bishop Cridge, has carried on its
ministry. Kindly and self-denying
citizens, without civic or provincial
assistance, have given heart and
time and money and strength in a
perpetual Christmas service that
unflinchingly carries on from one
Yuletide to another. Any time vis-
itors are welcome, but let the reader
note that Wednesday and Thursday
evenings of this week are gala nights
for the children.

He who would be the Christmas
spirit remember Victoria's baby-
hood must go in thought to a com-
modious building near the Royal
Jubilee Hospital, where a score of
little ones are cared for yearly. Let
the writer type carefully just now
for those who direct the home for
friendless women do not desire pub-
licity. Big headlines would crash in
on their delicate work of recon-
struction. For it is their Christy
task, as the last report says, "to send
out those who have been under our
care with a new hope in life, a new
source in their hearts, a new source
of strength to surmount the diffi-
culties life presents." The Christmas
festivities of these girls are not ad-
vertised; they are for the few, such
as the graduates, one might call
them, who come back for the day,
and a few understanding women

LIKE THE DIONNE BABIES

The babies know no more of these
things—bless their innocence—than
do the Dionne infants of their
worldwide fame. They laugh and
cry in the self-same way as do the
quintuplets of Callender or the royal
children of the House of Windsor. A
cosmopolitan and multichrome col-
lection is in these crine-English
babies, German babies, Indian
babies, Irish babies, Welsh babies,
Hindu babies. And let it be known
that the door has never been closed
to the friendless girl and her friend-
less infant.

The tenderest sort of Christian
ministry has been given now these
forty-five years, first under the
name of "The Provincial W.C.T.U.
Refuge Home" and later, about 1904,
when the new building was opened,
of "The Provincial W.C.T.U. Home
for Friendless Women." Had it not
made the title too long, "and friend-
less babies" might have been added.
For all these years, there was but
one president, that gracious lady,
the late Mrs. David Spencer, Sr.

The writer passes now from these
things to the more serious side of the
home.

He would arrest the attention
of the public by disclosing the
details of a conspiracy that is afoot,
a deep-laid and cunningly designed
conspiracy, that has the children of
Greater Victoria for the object of
its plans. Conscious of the gravity
of publishing anything detrimental
in positions of trust, and aware of
the law of libel, the writer goes on to
charge prominent people in this city
with being hand in glove with this
conspiracy.

Names and officials must now be
mentioned. They include the City
Magistrate as Juvenile Police Magis-
trate; Dr. G. M. Weir, of the Pro-
vincial Government; the city police-
woman and the juvenile police of-
ficer, certain members of the City
Council and Mayor Leeming as civic
head; Dr. F. Kincaid, president of
the Children's Aid, and various other
citizens.

TO GIVE CHILD CHANCE

The charge hereby made against
these parties is that they are con-
spiring and co-operating to give
every child a chance, to provide a
home that is a home for every child,
to develop satisfactory personality,
to see that otherwise derelict boys
and girls come up into decent citi-
zenship.

The further charge is that through
an organization called the Children's
Aid Society, and with civic func-
tions and provincial oversight, these
parties have been doing this for a num-
ber of years, but especially and more
effectively the last twelve months.
The writer is prepared to give in-
stances where this society interfered
in the conduct of homes in which
boys and girls were getting no kind
of a chance because of unworthy
parents, even drunken fathers and
immoral mothers, and put them in
the care of nice people in foster
homes.

To do this the parties aforesaid
contravened the time-honored British
saying that an Englishman's
home is his castle, and also that "a
man may treat his children as he
likes," and by legal processes dis-
sided these ancient rights and took
away children from their most in-
competent, evil and sometimes cruel
parents.

The writer is also prepared to give
instances of the delightful results
following the new environment, of
better progress in school, of a less-
ened inferiority complex and gain
in self-respect, of homes rehabili-
tated, and of an altogether satis-
factory state of affairs among these
two score or more wards of all par-
ties mentioned.

That this newspaper will endorse
the charge hereby made, the writer
would refer the reader to the issue
of December 1, 1934, where he will
find an article captioned "Children
Benefit Under Home Plan, Report
Declares," in which a similar posi-
tion is taken.

And, in conclusion, the writer
ventures to express the opinion that
all those who care for the child are
moved by the spirit of Him who was
the Child of Bethlehem, the Man
of Nazareth, the Lover and Saviour
of Humanity.

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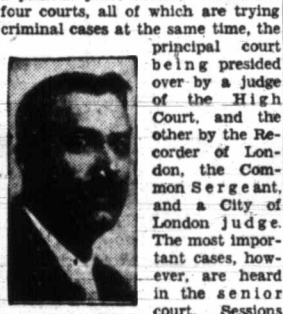


DIGGING UP THE NEWS

An Unpleasant Street Meeting With a Man—Police Not Guilty of a Charge of Murdering His
Parents.

By HERBERT RAMSAY

The Old Bailey, as it is called, is
a palatial place inside. There are
four courts, all of which are trying
criminal cases at the same time, the
principal court being presided
over by a judge of the High
Court, and the other by the Re-
corder of London, the Com-
mon Sergeant, and a City of
London judge. The most im-
portant cases, however, are heard
in the senior court. Sessions are
held every month, and sometimes, if the calen-
dar is big, or if a case is prolonged,
a court may still be sitting when the
next session comes around.



It is quite wrong to refer to this
institution as the Old Bailey, just as
it is wrong to refer to another in-
stitution as Scotland Yard. But they
have been popularly called so for
many years, and no doubt always
will be. Old Bailey is the name of
the street in which the so-called Old
Bailey stands. Its real name is the
Central Criminal Court. Scotland
Yard is also the name of a place,
and the real name of the so-called
Scotland Yard is the Criminal In-
vestigation Department. Both are
buildings which the average overseas
visitor might like to take a look at,
but few ever happen upon them. As
a matter of fact, both are very close
to places which every tourist does go
to see. The Old Bailey being within
two hundred yards of St. Paul's Ca-
thedral and Scotland Yard literally
within a stone's throw of the House
of Commons, just across from the
towers of Big Ben.

CRIMINAL COURTS

The rebuilt Central Criminal
Court was opened about the time I
went to London, and I attended the
very first sessions. A murder trial
of great interest was on the calen-
dar. This was the case of Horace
Rayner, who shot William Whitley,
founder and owner of what then
and for many years before was Lon-
don's greatest departmental store.
Rayner claimed that Whitley was
his father, his mother being a do-
mestic. He persisted Mr. Whitley
from time to time to acknowledge
him, and to give him money, but
Mr. Whitley persistently denied that
he knew anything about him. Then
one day Rayner killed him in his
office. He was found guilty and
sentenced to death, but was re-
prieved and served a life sentence.

One of the earliest trials in the
new court was that of the notorious
German adventurer, Von Veltheim,
for blackmailing the noted Solly
Joel, the noted South African dia-
mond magnate. Von Veltheim had
a black record and had been ac-
quitted on killing one of the Barnato
diamond kings in South Africa. He
claimed that all these diamond men
did crooked work, and it was on that
allegation that he blackmailed the
Jewish millionaire, Joel. The curi-
ous feature about this case was that
Von Veltheim was defended by the
then greatest Jewish lawyer in Eng-
land, Rufus Isaacs, K.C., now Lord
Reading. Whatever racial bond
there was between the two Jews,
Isaacs and Joel, Isaacs was merciless
toward Joel in the box, and gave
him as rough handling as I ever
heard. In making his speech for the
defence, Mr. Isaacs, as he was then,
mimicked the miming manner in
which Joel gave evidence. Von Vel-
theim was found guilty and impris-
oned to twenty years' imprison-

ment. He was released long ago
and has been in trouble since then.

"CHICAGO MAY"

Among other criminals I have
seen in the Old Bailey dock were
the infamous Chicago May and her
paramour, Eddie Guerin, who
achieved fame as the first man to
escape from Devil's Island.

Prosecutions at the Old Bailey in
pre-war days were conducted for the
Crown by Sir Archibald Bodkin, Sir
Richard Muir and Travers Humph-
reys. Bodkin is still on the job.
Muir is dead, and Humphreys is now
a judge in the court where he for-
merly practiced. They were a most
formidable trio, somewhat similar
as to methods—Bodkin and Humph-
reys slow, ingratiating, almost apolo-
getic in their questioning, as if they
did not wish to embarrass a pris-
oner, but all the time leading the
victim into a position which usually
netted them hand and foot. Muir was
different. He was fast and stern.

He sometimes had notes which were
marked in black, blue and red. We
betide the unhappy man when Muir
came to the red. His voice rose as
he passed from black to blue, then to
red, when he cracked down on his
quarry like a load of bricks.

The great Justice Darling took
more "turns" at the Old Bailey than
any other judge. He liked that
work; others didn't. He sometimes
buried his face in the fluffy ermine
sleeves of his robes, seemingly half
asleep, and those who did not know
him might think he was not paying
attention to what was going on. But
he was more alert than a weasel. If
any lawyer said something that did
not please him he snapped back at
him like a shot, or at other times
he would suddenly interject a classic
joke that made the court roar, at
which time a pleased smile formed
on his lips as if to say, "That was a
good one, wasn't it?"

DEATH SENTENCE

Only once at the Old Bailey do I
recall a scene when the death sen-
tence was passed. That was when
two brothers named Marks were con-
victed of murdering a sailor in a low
dive in Whitechapel. They fought
and screamed hysterically. "Take
me out and give me the rope now.
Don't keep us waiting," cried one of
the brothers. Most condemned men
take it silently. The judges, too, sel-
dom show any feeling. I have a studio
in Kensington by someone

who was evidently in a frenzy. An
arrest was afterwards made, but
Scotland Yard dropped the case, and
so far as the public was concerned
it looked like an unsolved crime.
It was "on the inside" under-
standing.

picture in my mind of a certain
judge who went to his room behind
the court while the jury went out to
consider their verdict. The jury re-
turned immediately and the judge
came back hurriedly. He was still
munching a lunch when he had to
pass sentence of death, and as he
uttered the dread words he was spit-
ting biscuit on the head of the clerk
below.

Most murder trials were just ordi-
nary from the point of view of
"copy," but one case I shall never
forget. A man was charged with
murdering his parents. He disap-
peared after the crime, which was
alleged to have been committed for
the purpose of robbery. Detectives
watched the house on the assumption
that the supposed murderer
would some day come sneaking back
to the scene of the crime, and several
weeks later the wanted man did.
I followed the proceedings right
through from the preliminary in-
vestigations to police court until the
trial. The accused was a most ex-
traordinary-looking man. He had
a mass of rough, reddish hair and a
long beard. Had I known of this as
a person as Rasputin at the time I am
sure I would have nicknamed him
that.

His aspect was shifty and
hunted-looking, but when you caught
his eyes they seemed to bore right
through you. At the police court
my seat was close to the dock, and
while evidence was being given he
would lean over and whisper to me
when the evidence was unfavorable.
"Don't put that down," and when it
was favorable, "Put that in the
paper." The evidence against him
was purely circumstantial, and he
was acquitted. Most people thought
he was lucky.

WAS VERDICT RIGHT

Months later I was passing along
Regent Street and casually saun-
tered up to a man who was selling
matches. Before I realized who he
was he said "Hullo." It was my old
friend "Rasputin." For a moment
I could scarcely speak, then I said,
"Well, was the verdict right?"

Slowly his face changed into a
leer that made me shudder, and
winking an eye he replied, "What
do you think?"

Another crime of my earlier days
was known as the studio murder. An
artist was beaten to death in his
studio in Kensington by someone

MARKET OPEN HERE MONDAY

Trade Heavy Yesterday—
Many Christmas Novelties
Are Displayed

In order to care for last-minute
food shoppers desirous of securing
seasonable vegetables, table fowl
and kindred Christmas dinner
articles, the Victoria Public Market
will be open all day tomorrow.

Yesterday saw one of the busiest
shopping days this year at the
market. Hundreds of eager buyers
shopped for the many bargains
offered on the stalls.

There was an abundance of
turkeys in display and a goodly
number were sold by stalls carrying
these delicious "feast table" birds.
Stores which formerly only carried
meats were well stocked with
turkeys, while bird stalls carried
varieties of fowl, including chickens,
ducks and geese.

HOTHOUSE RADISHES

Seasonable produce of all types,
including potatoes, cauliflower, beets,
leeks, "curly" greens, etc., all moved
well during the day at reasonable
prices.

An innovation for extra-dinner
needs was seen when the first hot-
house radishes made their appear-
ance. They were selling at five
cents a bunch. Lettuce and water-
cress, also from greenhouse stock,
proved popular.

Many Christmas novelties, all
home-made, were shown. Babies'
clothing, heavy sweaters, novelty
pin cushions and other items were
selling well.

The busiest counters were the
candy stalls, where all manner of
Christmas candies were being sold.
Purchasers lined up three and four
deep at one candy stall.

Plum puddings, mince pies and
mince meat all had their place in
the sales made.

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I can imitate any bird you can
think of."
She: "How about a homing
pigeon?"

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The Season's Greetings



TO ALL OUR FRIENDS

CHRISTMAS CHINOOK

By
ALICE MCINTYRE PACK

WELL, if you must have it, my darling, this is the way it was.

The mother took her place before the fire and spread her hands in invitation at her sides. Outside, snow was falling like the trailing, silvery memory of that other Christmas.

I used to think father was the pioneerest of the pioneers. Just going west didn't suit him at all. He had to go clear to the Pacific Ocean. He was so hopeful and fearless he made my mother feel that way, too. So she left their comfortable farm home in Ohio and settled with him on the banks of a river, where it met the tidewater of Gray's Harbor and ran swiftly through a narrow gap to join the sea. My mother named the river Singing Woman. She thought the Indian names of the country were ugly.

Great virgin forests grew down to the very shores of the land-locked harbor like a vast green army, bivouacked, awaiting the advance of the enemy. And father knew that he must start a sawmill, so he went to San Francisco for machinery. He went on the little schooner which always looked like a toy as it rounded the bend of the river and disappeared from sight.

"What shall I bring you, my dearest?" he asked my mother as we walked with him to our landing, which jutted waverily over the water. "That is," what besides a brand-new red sawmill.

"Oh, John," mother clung to his arm, "nothing for me, but if you find you can't get home do send the children something for Christmas. Donna wants a ring. And some toys for the little ones. You know the things. Christmas will be hard this year."

"I know, my girl."

Father held her close, and their cheeks were wet together as they looked across the river to the Indian burial ground where we had left my baby brother John three months before.

When he had died so suddenly in that new, far edge of a strange country, it had not seemed so lonely for him there. In the makeshift cemetery there were Indian children surrounded by their tiny possessions to keep them happy in the hunting grounds beyond. Two friendly squaws had come and kissed the soil above him and left food for his journey as was their custom. But their men were not so friendly. One of them had advanced on father as we walked away.

"No like," he said in a low guttural voice. "No like, paleface here."

His companion gazed stolidly and gave a harsh grunt. But father did not seem to hear as he stumbled from the grounds.

"You're thirteen years old now. Be a little woman, Donna," father said as he kissed me good-bye.

I cried and told him I would try to be.

Mother stood quiet for a while after the schooner had disappeared. Her hands were clenched. "I must not fail these babies," she said as she turned back the house.

I knew that mother was afraid of the woods. Father had cut the tall trees from around our house so there was no danger of them crashing on us in a storm, but she knew that lynx and even a cougar had been brought from the depths of that forest. I knew she went weak if a friendly Quinault Indian approached our house. She was the only white woman on the river for miles, although there were a few women at the little town of Hoquiam, and once the small steamboat which stopped at our landing brought a millwright and his wife to consult with father.

The woman's eyes went wide with surprise as she came into our house. Mother's windows always shone as clear as sunlight. Cheerful paper which she had brought from the East covered the walls, and the curtains at the windows were snowy, starched flour sacks bound with turkey red. Father had built a fireplace in each end of the main room, and the firelight dancing in mother's fine old mirror lit up the homestead table and chairs. The millwright's wife said that mother's house was a jewel of the wilderness.

It was just the week before Christmas that we looked out on the river and saw old Hump-tulps Joe pull his canoe on to our landing. He was followed by three other Indians.

"Here comes the friendly Indians," my mother said in a gay voice.

I could see how fast her heart was beating under her dress, but Tad and Dannie and little Bette ran out the door shouting.

"Friendly Indians, friendly Indians!"

Hump-tulps Joe, as he was called from the river on which he lived, and the other Indians did not wait to be invited into our house. They came in. Sullen and dirty, Hump-tulps Joe looked around the room until he saw mother.

"You," he said harshly, "you put paleface papoose in Indian ground. Ground for Indian fathers."

"We did not know it was sacred burial ground, Joe," answered my mother. "My husband will be back after the New Year."

Then she sent us out of the room, but I heard Joe say:

"No good New Year. Too late."

We went around to the back stoop where mother kept a wash basin and bucket of water on a bench. Above it hung a comb tied to a string. Such articles were easily lost and hard to replace. Joe and his companions came out the back door. You could see they were angry.

Joe picked up the comb and looked it over. "Humph," he exclaimed in disgust and, removing his old black hat, ran the comb through his long sticky hair.

Seldom had I seen my mother angry. But now her face was livid. She grabbed the comb from the Indian, broke the long string, and threw the comb as far as she could into the woods beyond. Then she called us children in, closed the door, and threw the bolt and Hump-tulps Joe went away with his friends. We didn't see them again for a week.

There were the chores to do with father gone, so mother and I would take the little ones in bed, blow out the lamp for fear of fire, and go out to the barn to milk the cow. The

night was so quiet it seemed that we and the cow with her white streamers of breath were the only creatures alive in the world and the only lights the golden flame of our lantern and the far-off silvery gleam of the stars. The air was sweet with the smell of fir and frost and wild hay. The night gave me a



The Indians with Hump-tulps Joe shifted nervously, but Joe listened while Mother told him about Christmas. "Christmas," mumbled Joe, whose eyes saw all the goodness mother had made, then he asked, "What for free in house?"

magnificent, unearthly strength. I felt it ringing through my body like bells, as I struggled with great forkfuls of hay and moved them down right under Fanny's nose.

THREE days before Christmas the ground was white with a loose, damp snow. It would be a white Christmas, we said, the first one since leaving Ohio. Snow was so much nicer than rain. We took the big axe and set out to get our tree. Although a whole forest of Christmas trees grew right beside our door, they furnished no excuse for packing up salt-pork sandwiches and thin strips of smoked salmon and setting off in our homemade sled with Tad and Dannie snorting and straining at the bit, while little Bette, with curls askew and cheeks ablaze, lashed her whip and cried, "Giddap, Santa Claus!" She was only three, and the role of Santa Claus was not quite clear in her mind.

We stopped by a roaring little stream and built a fire and warmed our swollen red hands, while mother made us hot gruel in a tin can she had brought along. We had not yet found a suitable tree among the thousands we had passed. The ones Dannie picked out were always too big and Bette's were too small, and Tad had his heart set on finding one with a bird's nest in it. So mother told us the story about the girl who went through the whole forest and then picked out a crooked stick.

It was when we were almost home with our fine, straight tree tied to the sled and Bette settled into its branches like a sleeping doll that we passed Hump-tulps Joe and three Indians. I noticed mother stopped and gave us a chance to draw close. She kept biting her lower lip as the Indians approached.

"Good evening, Joe," she said.

"Humph," answered the Indian.

Later Tad turned around and cried, "Mother, Joe is shaking his fist at us."

In the house mother rubbed our chapped hands with grease and made a thoughtful inspection of the rooms.

"What's wrong, mother?" asked Dannie.

"Nothing is wrong," answered my mother, and then she added, "I was just thinking it is about time to look out for the boat."

That remark was enough to erase all thought of unfriendly Indians from our minds forever. The small steam schooner which plied the harbor with mail and supplies from Portland every two weeks was due before the holidays. It was on this boat that father's presents would come, perhaps father himself. The captain had said on the last trip he would be back before Christmas.

"Come, my lamb! Let's get to work," mother said, setting out flour paste and scissors and papers of all kinds.

And how we worked! It seemed as if we were doing it all for father. It seemed as though he couldn't help being there if we worked so hard to please him. The boys made the tree stand straight in a tub of sand from the river bed. Bette stuck her tiny fingers until they bled, stringing popcorn, and I made stars and covered them with tin foil from father's tobacco. And almost every fifteen minutes one of us would rush to the window to see if the boat was coming up the river.

MOTHER said we could not waste our supply of flour and molasses baking things, for father's box would probably contain sweets we'd never even tasted before. At that we all rushed to the window again.

By noon on the day of Christmas Eve there

had come a real snowstorm. All night the forests had moaned and groaned. They stood around our clearing like a great circular shadow. We could barely make out the river. The wet snow gathered on the windows, clung for a while, then slowly slipped down the pane like the lowering of a white and scalloped shade. Tad and Dannie decided to stand guard at the front window with their wooden guns, the agreement being that if the boat should go by in the storm and miss our landing, they'd lay a barrage of fire across her bow to remind her there was treasure aboard for the Carters.

Little Bette ran in from the window to ask, "Mumme, is Santa coming?"

"Yes, pet," said my mother.

"Is Santa an Indian?"

"Not our Santa Claus," mother answered.

"Then Indians is comin' to see Santa," said Bette.

Mother looked out. A slow-moving file of squat, dark figures came shuffling through the snow along the trail which led behind the house. When they came to the porch, they stamped across beneath its shelter, kicked the water bucket off the bench, and used it as a football as they went their way. I could see it worried mother, the boldness and defiance of old Joe.

Just then Tad cried out: "Halt! Who goes there?"

Dannie threw his gun into the air and began to scream: "She's come! She's come!" Better waved her fat arms, jumped down and cried, "Santa's come!"

Mother and I ran to the window. A large dark shape lay on the river. It looked like a boat through the snow, but mother said it was only a log raft broken loose. So we calmed down and the watch went on.

THE tree was so green and brave with strings of gleaming white popcorn and shiny silver balls, and stars of tin foil. Mother made little white boats of paper attached by a pin to a work and fastened them on the tree. When the cold air rushed through a door or window, the boats spun around and around like gay little weather vane.

We cleaned, and dusted, and puffed up the pillows in father's chair any number of times. It began to get dark, and still no sign of the boat. The boys were getting tired of their post and were quarreling a little.

Dannie said: "Aw heck! I know it wouldn't come all the time."

We tried our cornmeal mush for supper and took one more look out the window before we sat down. The boys gulped their food, and Dannie kept shaking his head in a manly fashion to choke back the tears. It was hard for me to swallow past the lump in my throat.

We took the children with us to the barn that night. The cold revived their spirits. They capered in the snow and took turns feeding wisps of hay to Fannie. While mother milked the cow, she told them the old story that all dumb animals at the stroke of midnight find their voices and talk like human beings until dawn.

It seemed that none of us could go to bed that evening, and mother didn't make us. The boys hung dolefully at the window with their noses flat against the pane, so when mother began to tell the Christmas story they were glad enough to listen. The part the boys liked best was about the shepherds. Mother told it so you could just see them out on a windy

hill in the starlight with their flocks bedded down for the night like soft clouds crumpling together. "O Shepherds, Guard Your Sheep." Then the great star brighter and whiter than the rest and the angel pointing the way to where lay the King; and the dawn of faith in the shepherds' hearts. And the helpless Babe, no crib for his head—Bette cried about that—and the faith of the wise men who went bearing gifts.

Suddenly mother stopped and listened. Yes, there was a hoarse "toot-toot."

The boys jumped for their coats. "It's come! It's come! Christmas has come!" they shouted.

"Oh, Father!" I heard mother say. It sounded like a prayer, there was so much thankfulness in her voice.

She took her shawl off its hook and hurried out. Bette and I followed, stumbling along under one blanket.

The boat-lay puffing at the landing. The lights were bright now, and I kept thinking how beautiful stones like the red and green running lights would look set into a ring.

"Christmas gift!" called the captain before any of us had a chance. "Your pa ain't aboard, but here's a package from him. Ten to one it's some blue jeans and a switch apiece for the boys and a dish rag for Donna."

We laughed and called back, "Christmas gift," and immediately there were orders and a changing of bells, and the boat slid away.

The boys struggled for possession of the box. "Leggo. It's not heavy. I can pack it myself. Lello!" Tad kept saying, but Dannie wouldn't, so mother said to carry it between them.

They stamped into the house, puffing out their brilliant cheeks. Mother took the end of her shawl and wiped off the box.

"Let's open it now," Dannie pleaded.

"Not now," said my mother firmly. "You must hang up your stockings and get to bed."

Never, never, had they obeyed so quickly and willingly. There was no calling of names like "cover-hog." And Bette was into bed before we could get her spoes off.

"Now, daughter," mother said after we were sure they were asleep, "we'll begin."

I RAN for the butcher knife. The box was tied with a frayed hemp rope and wrapped in crumpled paper. We lifted the lid. There was a mass of newspaper-wrapped bundles. Mother's hands flew to lift the parcels, but as she picked them up, they collapsed in her fingers. She groped and rustled the papers between her hands. She looked up at me with that stricken look of sudden sickness.

Practically I began to feel through the box. One of the paper bundles contained something hard. I undid it hastily, and out rolled a little red fire wagon hitched to two racing chargers. You could almost see flames snorting from their red nostrils as they plunged to the call of duty. On the little seat were two helmeted, dare-devil drivers. A cunning little ladder was hooked on at the sides, and in the wagon bed was coiled at least a foot of hose. Two tiny buckets swung on behind, completing a perfect model of the fire-fighting equipment of the day.

That was all. We smoothed out the last newspaper so that not even the tiniest gold ring could have hidden in the creases. Mother's mouth was working piteously until she looked at me. Then she put her hands on my shoulders and said:

"Steady, daughter. Let's get busy."

I didn't know just what mother meant, but there was that special note in her voice I'd heard her use to father as she led him away from the Indian burial ground. Now it said to me:

"Well, are we women, or aren't we? Are we going to let three little children lose their belief in Christmas because some sneak thief stole your father's gifts for them?"

Finally I said, "All right, mother, what shall we do?"

What we did was to fire up the kitchen stove, measure and sift flour and sugar, get out the last of our lard. We mixed and fried doughnuts in the shape of jolly-looking fat men, made molasses taffy and cut it into little golden pillows and rope-like twists. While I popped corn and rolled it into sweet balls,

mother made Bette a doll out of one of father's blue and white socks. She took the beautiful peacock feathers which she had brought from the farm in Ohio—the boys had begged for them so often—and made two Indian head-dresses.

She had just finished the first one when the kitchen door was flung open and Hump-tulps Joe was in the room. Three red-faced Indians were with him, and there was a strange odor in the room from their breath.

Joe lurched toward my mother. She swayed a little where she stood. Joe glowered at her.

"You move papoose," he said in a flat, angry voice. "You move papoose from Indian ground or Indians dig him up and throw him in the river!"

His voice rose to a terrible pitch at the last.

MOTHER'S hands went together at her breast. Then she stretched them out to Joe. It seemed for a moment as if mother's hands were crying. Then she said to me:

"Cut thick slices of bread."

She took the thick slices and spread them generously with the last of our lard. Indians loved lard on bread.

"It's Christmas, Joe. You must be hungry after your long walk." She offered each the bread.

"Christmas?" mumbled Joe.

"Yes, you know about Christmas," said mother.

The muscles shifted the impassive bronze of Joe's face. "For many moons Indian eat only deer and salmon. Then paleface give food and maybe whisky. That Christmas," Joe said.

"Well, something like that, Joe," mother began desperately. "You see, it's the time when you share what you have with your neighbor in memory of a little boy named Jesus."

"Papoose?" asked Joe.

"Oh, yes," cried mother in a glad voice, "just like yours and mine."

Joe listened while mother told him about Christmas.

"It was about the time when the big fir tree by the river was a tiny seed that the Great Father," mother made a gesture the Indians would understand, "sent His Son as a gift to the world. He was born in a barn, Joe, near the horses. No riches, no government lands. Nothing. But he brought the world its greatest gift love. Peace and good will between all men—Indians and palefaces, you understand?"

The other Indians shifted nervously, but on Joe's face had dawned some light of understanding.

"What for tree in house?" he asked.

"Oh, the tree and food and presents are just a way for spreading that love on His birthday."

Joe stood for a moment as if thinking, then he stalked to the door.

"You move papoose," he said. "You move heem tonight. We see you do."

Joe banged the door and mother shot the bolt. She leaned against the door, her head buried in her arms. We looked out into the moonlight. The Indians had not gone. Instead they were perched on the woodpile, holding a pow-wow. Soon a dull chant came to our ears, followed by a heavy fist upon the door. Mother's eyes were black with despair as she went to open it.

On the dim light outside Joe seemed to tower like one of the tall trees that father had cut down. I held my breath, and I could see that mother's hand on the door was trembling. But her voice was steady as she said,

"Yes, Joe?"

"Papoose stay there," he grunted. "Indian and paleface all the same—Christmas," Joe explained briefly, as he turned away.

In the reaction my heart seemed to stop.

I heard mother say softly, "Thank you, God," as she closed the door.

MOTHER was up building the fires before the first about of Merry Christmas. Then all the children rushed out together to see what Santa had brought.

They all saw the little fire engine at once. Together they took it down from the tree, and Dannie read:

"A happy Christmas to you all. With father's love."

They shouted together for pure joy. They all held the toy and danced around the green tree, investigating the treats and surprises they found there. Then as with one accord they flopped on their stomachs and sent the horses tearing around in such circles as to throw the brave drivers from their seat. When the fire was reached, Bette took turns filling the little buckets and quenched whatever spark of flame she thought she saw whether it was under the Christmas tree or down somebody's neck.

We were having our porridge late that morning when we heard a great stamping of shovels feet outside the door. The boys ran to open it with their head-dresses streaming bravely out behind them.

Hump-tulps Joe stepped in with a friendly,

"How."

He had a large tin can under one arm, and in the other I saw the beautiful bronze backs of a dozen golden plovers.

"Christmas," he said. "Papoose go merry."

He poured the contents of the can right out on the table. Cranberries! We clapped our hands at their bright beauty as they went hopping over the edge of the table and on to the floor like merry little Christmas elves. We scrambled for them, shouting with laughter, and Joe's black eyes crinkled closer and closer until he gave a perfect bellow of a laugh. Mother said he must have canoed miles to find a cranberry swamp.

She asked Joe to stay for dinner. He needed no urging. He sat down on the floor, without removing his black hat, and examined the fire engine. All afternoon he took turns at urging the little horses on their charging call to duty.

At last, when the smell from the cooking

food had become too tantalizing to bear, mother called out "Din-ner!"

We rushed to the kitchen, and there stood the greatest gift of all—father! He and mother burst into a gale of laughter.

"Merry Christmas, you rascals!" he cried as we swarmed over him.

We had been so absorbed in playing we had not seen a small boat come up to our landing, nor heard him slip in to surprise us.

We were happy that day. I still can remember its peace. Whenever I hear bells across the snow at Christmas, I think of the brave clang of the little fire engine; and plover pie and cranberries; make a regular love feast and the best Christmas dinner in the world.

Second Century Bible Now Reported Found

FRAGMENTS of a second century Bible, written on papyrus, in the form of a book, and not the usual papyrus scroll, are stated to be in the possession of the Austrian National Library.

They were obtained in Cairo by Prof. Hans Gerstinger, of the University of Vienna, and are said to comprise portions of the Old Testament, the Gospel of St. Matthew and the Pauline Epistles. They appear to belong to that sheaf of early Biblical papyri of which Chester Beatty, the American collector, has the largest portion.

Prof. Gerstinger, it is stated, bought the fragments from persons who are supposed to have found them in a water jar that had been buried in the cellar of a Christian monastery in Egypt. It is claimed that the fragments form the oldest documents in book form, and that their presence in the monastery indicates that the Christian Church invented book form to replace the Oriental scroll.

Dutchman Laying Claim to Air-Powered Car

EITHER Holland has been wonderfully hoaxed or one of the most marvelous inventions of the gasoline age has been discovered here.

This is the conclusion being drawn from the announcement of Jan Wardenier, a 22-year-old former dairy boy, that he has invented a motor engine that will run on compressed air for a year for a total expenditure of \$15.

Holland was inclined to scoff when it first heard the news, but the young inventor's claim has been publicly supported by the Burgomaster of Wollega and the Town Council. They even indicated that the land on which a factory for the manufacture of the engine is to be built had already been secured.

Wardenier claims that his new compressed air engine will run without petrol, oil, or water, and that it requires lubricating once every three months, and then only if it has been running continuously. He said the engine was tested several months ago in a factory at Zwolle, and that experts are highly satisfied.

King Proving Himself Adept at Diplomacy

KING Peter II, the Boy King of Yugoslavia, has just proved himself to be a real diplomat.

His brothers, Prince Tomislav, six, and Prince Andrew, five, placed the little king, who is eleven, in a quandary when they demanded to know why their father, the assassinated King Alexander, did not return home.

King Peter hesitated a moment. Then he told his brothers how their father had gone on a sea voyage. He described great waves, as high as the palace, sweeping over the ship. Their father, he said, had been swept away and lost in the giant waves. He might not come back, but they must wait patiently.

The little princes were satisfied by this explanation. Thus did King Peter fulfill his first difficult task as master of his palace.

Deaths Brings Close to Old Property Action

A LAW suit in which all the parties—the witnesses, the lawyers, the attorney and the judge—have died is to come up again before the Court of Appeal at Warsaw shortly.

The case was started in 1918 over the sale of an estate near Warsaw. A year after the case was started the plaintiff died. Six months later the defendant died and the case had to be postponed. In the course of the next two years seven of the witnesses died, and later the judge who was engaged in the case also died. When the case was to be brought before the court in 1927 the attorney fell unconscious and died a few days later.

Now three more witnesses are reported dead, and only the legal documents remain.

Bolsheviks Sprucing Up

THE uncouth, soiled and former "beau ideal" of Bolshevism has gone out of date. No longer is a dirty, frayed collar—once a sign of pure Leninist heart—and a beard accepted in high places as proof of high-mindedness.

M. Orghonikidze, the powerful Commissar for Heavy Industry, recently refused to receive one of the highest chiefs of Siberian industry because the latter had come straight from the train to his Commissar's ante-chamber without shaving.

So that its officials will not need to queue up for a shave, a Commissar for Heavy Industry has now taken over one of the best barber shops, hitherto reserved for foreigners.

A letter sent from Rowno, a small township in Eastern Poland, to Brazil, in 1922, has just been returned to its destination. During the twelve years the letter went round the world three times. The sender is dead, but his son, to whom the letter was returned, has been offered \$1,000 for the envelope.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVALS

By
GWEN CASH

"WELL, a Merry Christmas," shouts a Canadian schoolboy as he rushes out from the classroom en route for December holidays.

"A Merry Christmas" beams the lover, kissing his sweetheart beneath the mistletoe.

"A Merry Christmas" calls your neighbor from his holly-wreathed front door.

And in Victoria—the last stand of old customs in a New World—with laugh, and jest and song—a great Yule log is dragged towards the great fireplace at the Empress Hotel to blaze a welcome to a Christmas world. And with due ceremony and joyful pomp the procession of Ye Olde Boar's Head, its attendants gay in mediaeval costumes, announces Christmas dinner.

Why?

Because a Blessed Babe, a Saviour of Mankind, was born two thousand years ago in a lowly manger beneath a star-lit Eastern sky.

FLASH BACK—It's Christmas of George III's day. The England of Burke and Pitt, of coffee houses, stage coaches and Vauxhall Gardens. The England of dandies in silks and satins, duelling and gambling. England on the eve of industrialism, but still bucolic.

"Merry Christmas, my masters," call the watch as they make their nightly rounds on the eve of December 24.

"A Merry Christmas" shout the young gallants as they drag the Christmas log to the fire.

FLASH BACK—Tudor England. The whole of London Town away to a bear-baiting south of the Thames this Christmas Eve with Yule logs in tow to burn at the merry-making.

"Merrie Yuletide," yell the "prentice lads as they jostle the lords and ladies of the court on lusty pleasure bent.

"Merrie Christmas," return their masters.

FLASH BACK—Chaucer England—mediaeval England and the word Christmas—the Mass heard on the eve of our Lord's birthday.

FLASH BACK—Saxon England and Yuletide, with all the old customs such as the burning of the Yule log, the rite of the boar's head, the significance of mistletoe believed in, adhered to all over England. Nay, not only over England, but over all Europe.

For the source and origin of our Christmas customs—customs that are still kept picturesquely alive—is hidden far back among the mist of past centuries. Beyond Christianity itself in the regions of mythology. And at the very heart of the mythology of one country and another, the mythology of the Yule log and the Yule log.

What really happened was that the fathers of the Christian Church being better psychologists than Freud himself and realizing the peasantry of Europe were wedded to ceremonies—heather ceremonies—pagan ceremonies—which were even so old as time, tradition and the very soil itself, superimposed a Christian significance on the old nature worship mythology, till then the only manifestations of man's religious grouping towards the light.

In fact—going wholeheartedly into the matter as was their way—about the end of the third century, and having till then made no very great headway with Christ's Mass, they arbitrarily transferred the Nativity of Christ from January 6 to December 25.

Thus they diverted to our Lord the worship which the pagan had till then paid to the sun.

During untold ages the heathen had celebrated both the Summer and Winter Solstice—December 25 and June 21—with great festivals of fire. For the Summer and Winter solstices are the two great turning points in the sun's apparent course through the sky. And from the standpoint of primitive man what could be more appropriate than to kindle fires on earth at the two moments when the heat and fire of the great luminary in the heavens began to wax or wane?

And so began the burning of the Yulelog—a rite as old as man's first religious thought.

The very word Yule comes from the Scandinavian Yul, meaning the time of the Winter solstice. A time in Northern Europe of dreary darkness, when the gods must be propitiated. When they must be entreated to bring back the light of the beneficent sun so that grain could grow, beasts multiply and food again be plentiful.

The ceremony became incorporated into English feudal and manorial life through our Scandinavian forebears, and, shorn of its pagan implications, has continued right up to the present day. Though I rather imagine the festivities at the Empress Hotel only keep it alive in Canada, possibly in North America.

In feudal times the venerable log, destined to crackle a welcome in the great baronial hall to all comers, young and old, rich and poor, was drawn by feudal retainers from its resting place in the wood. And as it passed on its appointed way each and every wayfarer raised his hat, for well he knew it was full of promise and good cheer. Its leaping flames would burn out old wrongs and cause the liquor to bubble in the wassail-bowl, which was quaffed to drown ancient feuds and animosities.

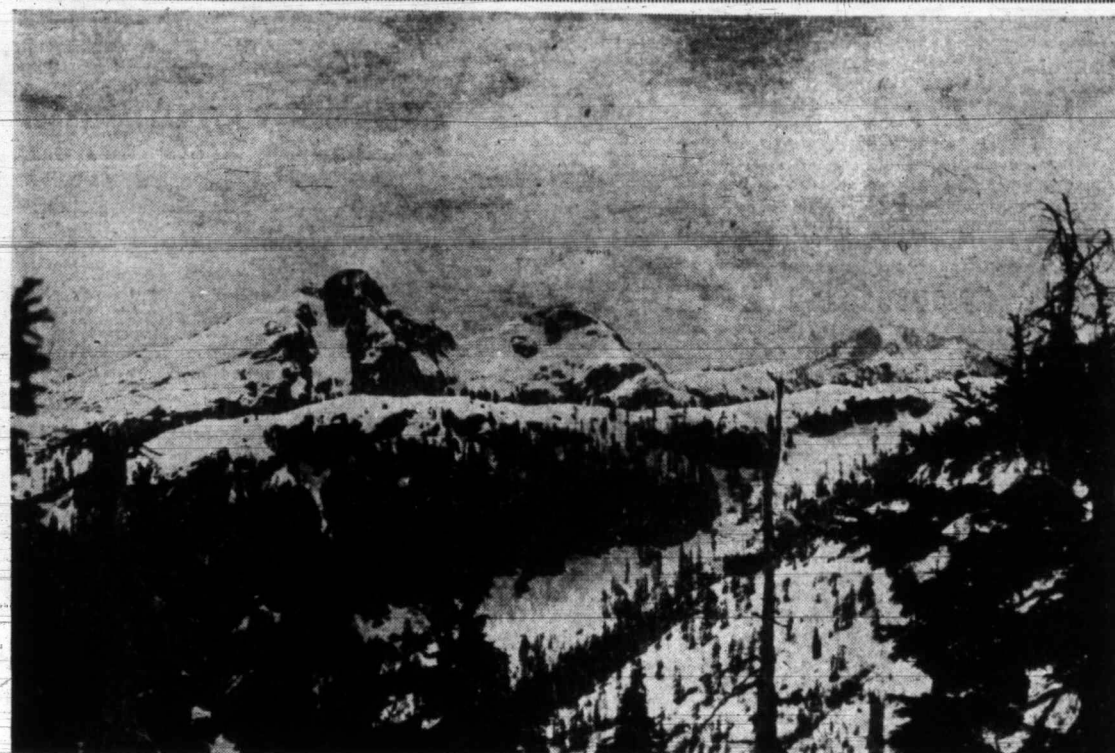
Sang Herrick back in the seventeenth century:

"Come bring with a noise,
My merry, merry boys,
The Christmas log to the fire,
While my good dame she
Bids ye all be free
And drink to your hearts' desire,
With the last year's brand,
Light the new block; and,
For good sense in his spending,
On your psalteries play
That sweet luck may
Come while the log is attending.

"Drink now the strong beer,
Cut the whole loaf here,
While the meat is a-shredding,
For the rare mince pie
And the plums stand by
To fill the paste that's a-kneading."

And among the tars and fellows of England the ancient rite of the Yule log still lingers in various guises.

Mighty Sentinels of Nature's Playground



Three Towering Snow-Capped Peaks of the Mackenzie Range on Vancouver Island. These Mountains Form but a Small Part of the Gorgeous Panorama of Natural Scenery to Be Found on the Island. This Photograph Was Taken Last July by a Hiking Party From Central to Kennedy Lake and Gives a Good Idea of the Variety of Attractions the Island Offers to Visitors

It's the same song that will be sung this Christmas by lusty choristers clad in mediaeval raiment.

Says the antiquary, John Brand, writing in 1883: "A tall moist candle called a Yule candle is lighted and set on the table; these candles are presented by the chandlers and grocers to their customers. The Yule log is bought of the chandlers and set on the table; the candles are lighted either of them before the time or to stir up the fire. The Yule log must not be snuffed, neither must anyone stir from the table till supper is ended. In these suppers, it is considered unlucky to have an odd number at table. A fragment of the log is saved and put under a bed to remain till next Christmas; it secures the house from fire; a small piece of it thrown into the fire occurring at the house of a house will quell the raging flame."

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As for the procession of the boar's head, one of the most colorful of ancient Yuleide rites, its origin is also deep-rooted in Scandinavian mythology.

Freyr, the Scandinavian god of Peace and Plenty, used to use as his steed the Boar Gullinbursti. Freyr's Festival, too, was held at Yuletide, the time of the turning of the sun. Freyr was worshipped as a god of fertility and the ancient gods were evoked with very special ceremonies so that they might bring plenty and Springtime to the Winter-darkened earth.

Therefore, the biggest and most ferocious boar the mightiest hunter was able to find in the deepest forest was sacrificed in Freyr's honor. And meat and roasting and merriment were the order of the night.

Christianized and feudalized, the ceremony became more sophisticated.

"Sweet rosemary and bays around it spread; His foaming tusks with some large pippin graced.

Or midst those thundering spears an orange placed—
Sauce like himself, offensive to its foe.

The roguish mustard, dangerous to the nose."

And heralded by a jubilant flourish of trumpets and accompanied by strains of merry minstrelsy, what was once the ancient sacrifice, now merely another symbol of merry-making, was carried to a dark corner of the banquet hall by the steward. Behind him came a procession of stately lords, ladies, knights and esquires singing a Te Deum.

The same Te Deum is used at the Empress Hotel every Christmas, when Caspar Aderegg, the chef, preceded by trumpeters and followed by a gay retinue garbed in mediaeval costumes, bearing aloft the mighty head, walks in procession to the great dining-room to announce Christmas dinner.

And mistletoe—the branch beloved by lovers—the branch that hangs over the great fireplace at the Empress Hotel at Christmas.

Who remembers hearing their grandmothers sing, as I do mine, the old ballad, "The Mistletoe Hung on the Castle Wall?"

Every verse ended with the refrain, "Oh, the mistletoe bough," sung softly and lugubriously. And the story was that of a bride-to-be next day, who on Christmas Eve, during games at the castle, jumped in an oaken chest to hide away from her companions. Family and retainers searched high and low for her, but she was not found, till years later her mouldering bones were discovered.

"Well, the mistletoe is one of the oldest plants said to be possessed of magical qualities. The Druids believed it. So did the Greeks. So curiously enough did, perhaps do, certain tribes of our own North American Indians.

J. G. Frazer, D.C.L., LL.D., Litt.D., probably the greatest authority on ancient and mythological beliefs, has written whole screeds on the properties and traditions of mistletoe, and seeks to deduce it is the mystical, symbolic "Golden Bough" of all mythologies.

However that may be, it is very much interwoven with all English Christmas customs and again comes to use from Scandinavian sources.

Balder the Beautiful, second son of Odin and Friga, has a terrible dream in which he learns he is going to die. He tells his mother about this dream and she, poor soul, anxious to avert the catastrophe, calls upon all the forces of nature, besides plants and animals, to swear they will not harm him. Unfortunately, the little twig which grows on the oak was overlooked. Loki, Balder's enemy, finds this out from his unsuspecting mother, goes out, gathers mistletoe, makes an arrow of it and gives it to the blind god, Hoder, to test.

Hoder shoots the arrow, and to his great grief, kills Balder. But Balder is beautiful. Balder is beloved, and at the urgent request of all the gods and goddesses he is restored to life. Then the mistletoe was given to the goddess of love to keep, and everyone who passed under it received a kiss to show it is the emblem of love and not of death.

No wonder the management of the Empress Hotel hangs their Christmas mistletoe above the fireplace. Dangerous stuff—mistletoe.

And it is hardly any wonder, with Christmas customs deep-rooted in pagan beginnings, that the Puritans looked down their long noses at them. Even Pepys and he, by no means, a Puritan—merely remarks to his diary on Christmas Day: "25th (Christmas Day). I was pretty long in bed and then rose, leaving my wife desirous to sleep, having sat up till four this morning, seeing her mayds make mine pies. I go to church, where our parson, Mills, made a good sermon."

After the Restoration, though, Christmas festivals came back with riotous popularity. But—

"Affecti superstitiosi ac malefici, genus hominum Novae superstitionis ac maleficiae."

Which, being very liberally interpreted, means that many of the customs of Christendom are deeply rooted in paganism. And are none the worse for that.

"INDUSTRIAL RELATIONSHIP"

By
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INDUSTRIAL relationship. There is no more important problem today and probably none that is receiving more thought. In these days of "Epic" and Utopia, one has to be rather careful in talking on industrial relationships; consequently, for fear that my plea for taking the working man into the family might be taken, by some, as a step towards Communism or Socialism, I would like to say at the outset that I am not a Communist. As long as we have human individualism, human ambitions, human hopes and fears, successful Socialism is as far off as the millennium. The same applies to Communism, which only differs from Socialism in that the Communist realizes that his ideals can only be obtained by massacring millions and destroying all that is sacred. Each still looks to Russia for inspiration and guidance, totally disregarding the Soviet swing-back to individual contract and differential wage scales. They seem to be oblivious of the tyranny and repression in the present Russian system and get very restless when reminded of it.

In spite of the fact that the standard of living in the civilized countries has increased tremendously and is still increasing, every seven or eight years production in many lines has outstripped consumption and we have had panics or depressions of greater or less magnitude, accompanied by a lot of unemployment. It is evident to every thinking person that there must be a lot of inefficiency in the control of industry. For four long, weary years governments and industrialists have striven to find the key to solve the present problem. Many countries are getting back to a position approaching normal—Canada probably more so than most. None, however, can feel secure that they have actually cured the situation. All kinds of schemes have been developed; tariff barriers have sprung up over night where none existed before; currencies have been inflated to gain added security in the home markets, and to gain advantage in export trade, and each country watches the movements of the other, with fear and mistrust.

I am not prepared to point out a full solution of our troubles, but hope to be able to demonstrate the feasibility and wisdom of the type of industrial relationship I advocate, and also that it may be a large and possibly essential step towards the solution of our difficulties.

What Is Our Trouble?

THE first question always simmers down to—just what is our trouble? Is it over-production? In the main, I think not. Then what is it? I believe it is largely that the control and distribution of production have not kept pace with the production efficiency, coupled with the unwillingness of those who have money to spend it, and the inability of those who have no jobs or too low wages to buy. Is the high mechanization of industry responsible? I would say not really and then only indirectly.

Some 120 years ago, shortly after the

Napoleonic wars, the frames or mechanical weaving machines of England were blamed for all the unemployment and hardship of the day. Lord Byron berated the House of Lords for protecting the factories, and quite clearly thought that these machines were going to be the ruin of England. We now know that later on this development added much to England's greatness and prosperity. No one today would suggest going back to the tallow candles, flint and tinder and the hand looms of those days.

The greatest and most outstanding achievement of our own age is the automobile industry. Practically unheard of thirty-five years ago, today it stands supreme in importance both as a direct employer of labor and a purchaser of a wide variety of products. Surely no one would advocate a return to the horse-drawn vehicle. If so, let him imagine the congestions on New York streets, where the policemen now warn you if you drive at less than thirty miles an hour.

It would seem clear that automatic machinery is not only not to blame for our troubles today, but is essential to the standard of living that we have developed. It is evident that much more can be produced in the world by the use of this machinery than could be produced by the old hand methods—frequently more than one hundredfold. It is essential, therefore, that we must be in a position to consume many times as much as our forefathers did. As we cannot use much more in the way of farm products, we must bend our efforts to making and consuming goods that might be classed as luxuries—and it is at this point that I can see some daylight.

In Midst of Plenty

IN order to keep everyone employed it will be necessary to consume much more than has been consumed in the past. The world today is equipped to sustain a standard of living unheard of to date. Many warehouses are still stocked with goods of one kind and another; the elevators are still full of wheat and grain, and yet millions go hungry. Why, then, have people been starving to death? The answer is quite simple, and I would say could be contained in one sentence, "Some things cost too much and others not enough," or, putting it in another way, "The wages paid to the men making some of these things are too high in comparison with the wages paid to the remainder."

Compare a farmer working for himself with an artisan working in, say, a building trade, the latter belonging to a powerful labor organization, the farmer standing alone and quite helpless and ignorant in matters pertaining to the marketing of his products. Undoubtedly the farmer will work fully as hard, if not harder, than the artisan. The farmer will probably produce sufficient foodstuffs to supply a great number of artisans, and yet he will be unable to market his products in such a manner that he can purchase the surplus output of even one artisan.

The purchasing power for luxuries of any man is the excess he receives for his efforts over and above his bare cost of living. If this were equal throughout the country it should be possible to make and consume a sufficient production to keep unemployment down to a minimum. There would, of course, still be two great difficulties to overcome; the first is international trade, and the second is the necessity of mobilizing industry to prevent over-production in certain lines. The first can be overcome, and may have to be overcome, by running various countries in a nationalistic way or making international arrangements based on various international wage scales. The latter, i.e., the control of production, I believe, is going to call eventually for some kind of government, and, it may be, even international licensing.

Government Operation

I DO not believe that Government operation of industry as a solution is feasible. Our own experience in our national railways clearly demonstrates that a Government operated enterprise cannot be operated efficiently in Canada today.

I have no doubt that you are thinking I have drifted very far from the subject of industrial relationship, but I have been trying to picture industries' difficulties as I see them, so that I might show where I think industrial relationship may be of the utmost value. As I have said before, I consider it essential that the purchasing power of the various workers should be reasonably equal. This objective cannot possibly be arrived at by legislation; in fact, I believe that most of the labor legislation of recent years is tending to emphasize the difference between the wages received by the highly organized classes of labor and those received by the unorganized or poorly organized classes. It is essential, therefore, that labor itself must become convinced and must assist in this part of the recovery programme.

Many business men and industrialists make the great mistake of thinking that all the brains of the nation are monopolized by themselves and those classes outside of labor. I maintain that, with the present highly developed state of nearly all industrial work, the average brain of the artisan today is fully equal, if not superior, to the average of the rest of the world. In the past the brain of the workman and the brain of the management have often been very largely devoted to trying to outwit each other rather than in co-operation. I believe that it is essential that all the common ground should be explored, and that wherever possible men and management should work in the friendliest possible co-operation. The best way I know of accomplishing this is through co-operative committees. Co-operative committees do not mean the surrendering of either the rights of the employer or the employee, but they provide the machinery for the same consideration of the ideas of each. I am convinced that most of the dealings between employer and employee today result in leaving the parties

really farther apart and more antagonistic than before. This is almost certain to be the result of conferences which are only arranged when trouble is actually on.

Discounting Problems

LEGISLATION is the last resort, in my mind, and the very worst method for handling labor problems. These problems should be discounted before they arise, and be discussed when both parties are able to act reasonably and impassionately. Our company has been carrying these ideas into practice for the last sixteen years. During that time profit sharing and other bonuses have had to be withdrawn when necessary and reinstated when possible. On the whole, wages have been very substantially increased. Group insurance and pensions have been provided free of charge to the worker. The prices of nearly all supplies have increased and yet costs have been considerably reduced. Practically every



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period shows a reduction over the former one. These facts have enabled our company to carry every one of their 5,000 permanent employees throughout the depression.

While I have nothing against the idea of unionism and while our company was 100 per cent organized sixteen years ago, the men have been dropping the unions one by one until now none are left, as they feel that the co-operative system has greater possibilities. In the co-operative committee system, employed by our company, each department elects a representative to the committee by secret ballot. They appoint their own chairman, secretary, committees, sub-committees,

etc. While their duties are to help the management run the plants safely and fairly, they take on all the activities of the workmen. They investigate grievances and discuss every possible angle of plant relationship. Over 300 men have served on these committees to date, and though every shade of opinion has been elected, even to the deepest "Red," I doubt if there are half a dozen men who have not been firmly converted to co-operative labor-handling. Without such a committee, your men are subjected to every kind of disrupting propaganda without any counteracting agency. Once a committee becomes really established, agitators of all sorts find their wages have no sale.

Essential of Success

I WOULD warn anyone who is considering the establishment of such a scheme that the first essential of success is that he must play a full one hundred per cent fair with his committee. He must give them full parliamentary privileges. He must give them the suggestions of the men, and when he has to decide against them, he must give them his reasons for doing so. He should give them as much authority as he can. Our committees have proved invaluable both to the men and the company. Their fairness has convinced me that if industries generally adopted this scheme, the working man could be shown that universal employment depends largely on bringing the wages of the various industries more nearly into line; that there would be a decided tendency to stop trying to increase wages and shorten hours in those industries which are already high, and a willingness on their part to help bring up the wages of those who are underpaid.

It is quite possible, and in fact probable, that history will again repeat itself and that the working hours generally will be shortened. Undoubtedly the world, if employed, can produce all its needs and much luxury with shorter working hours. A future balance will be struck, in the main, on a division of the amount of luxury a man desires and the amount of work that he is willing to do for it.

At least ninety per cent of the laboring population are fair-minded and reasonable, a fact which should be kept in mind by everyone handling labor problems. The difficulty of the employer is to reach this ninety per cent. In most cases these men allow the other ten per cent to do the talking for them. The co-operative committees form a very fine method of interchanging ideas. The interests of a practically identical in everything except wages. Though they would appear to lie more nearly in opposite directions, this, however, is not actually the case. Low wages rarely yield good or cheap work, and high wages alone without good working conditions rarely make satisfied workers. The ideal situation obtains when the management and the men can meet and discuss all problems on friendly terms, and when the management makes the

position of the working man as secure and comfortable as possible.

Protecting Workmen

EVERY capable engineer tries to protect his plant and machinery from all disintegrating forces; surely it is more important that he should provide equal protection for his workmen. He will fight for a good factory or a good engine house. Why not for good housing for his men and their families, good schools, good medical service, good hospital accommodation, a share in the profits, bonuses which will insure their interest in the work, permanency of employment and a pension when a man's working days are through? He will most likely find that instead of these things costing his company money, the result will be a happier personnel, reduced operating costs and a stable community.

I am extremely interested in this whole subject of industrial relationship and would only be too glad, should anyone desire it, to give further details regarding our own experience. I would also suggest to them that they get the working man's side of the picture as well.

Names "Meanest People"

CONTRIBUTIONS to the Nazis' Winter Relief Campaign are "purely voluntary," and emphasis was placed on this in a speech by Herr Sprenger, district leader of Alzey, Hessen.

Anyone who gives less than he could afford as a "pig-dog," Herr Sprenger told an audience of 6,000 people, and should be treated accordingly.

In future there would be published in the newspapers a "pillory column" in which the names of those who had ignored the spirit of national community listed in order of meanness.

Mounts Now Farm Horses

TO many people in Canada the Shire horse is the horse of horses. In the olden days when knighthood was in flower, the Shire horse was the noble animal that carried armored knights to battle when Merrie England went to war. He was the horse of the tilting tournaments, and he made a magnificent spectacle as he galloped thunderously into the lists. But nowadays, there are only a few hundred purebred Shires in Canada and their number is decreasing.

A few years ago, some splendid specimens were sent from England to Canada, but out of the 2,508 purebred horses of various breeds registered with the National Livestock Records in the first eleven months of 1934, only six were Shires. Today, most of the purebred Shires are in Alberta.



A Page For CHILDREN



Little Star's Christmas Vigil

By VERNON TIMBERLEY

LITTLE Star was five years old and his father was the only Indian in the Cowichan tribe who kept sheep. The small boy's parents had been brought up as Christians, and to Little Star, Christmas was the most important day of the year. Last Sunday, the visiting priest had read the Christmas story to the gathering of Indians in the tiny church. Every year that Little Star could remember, Christmas had been full of surprises, but this year it all seemed different.

Tonight was the Eve of the Feast, and Little Star only wanted two things to happen to make his Christmas complete. One of them he hoped would be granted, but the other he was not so sure about. Since he had listened to the story of the first Christmas, last Sunday in church, he had begged his father to take him to the hills to mind the sheep on Christmas Eve. The father talked it over with the mother and at first they both objected. Later, they decided to let him go as he insisted that he wanted nothing else for Christmas. Both smiled at his strange wish, but knew that he would not want for the gifts that would delight him on Christmas morning. At supper time, when he was told that he could go, his face lighted up and he became so excited that he could hardly finish his meal.

The full moon was waning in the East when they set out, and the stars sparkled and glittered in the darkness of the sharp night. It would be a green Christmas on the southern end of Vancouver Island and there were only a few degrees of frost. The pasture in the hills was nearly two miles distant. Almost trotting beside his father, Little Star could hardly keep to himself the wonder of the things he expected to see tonight. It never entered his head to doubt that they would not happen. Orion, the great hunter of the heavens, was lying on his side, and the handle of the Big Dipper was pointing towards the earth. Presently, the father picked up the little boy and carried him on his shoulders. Little Star liked sitting on his father's shoulders and felt very big and grown up. The tops of the tall pine trees seemed nearer and the smell of the damp earth reminded him that he must soon get down. The distance did not seem far, and when they arrived he became so interested in the sheep that he forgot, for a time, why he had come. He tired, after a time, of wandering among the animals and stroking their winter coats. His father told him not to go away from the flock or he would get lost.

Upon a springy bed of young balsam boughs, snuggled warmly in the sleeping bag which his father had made out of a blanket, Little Star fell asleep. He was not afraid of being alone. His father was never far away. A gentle breeze was blowing when he woke up several hours later. The moon had traveled high in the heavens and the East was blacker and the stars brighter. Little Star, in his bed at home, would have slept until morning. He was wide awake at once, but did not move from his warm bed. It was Christmas, he thought, and one of his wishes coming true.

Some of the sheep were not far away and Little Star could hear them moving about and the noise they made as they pulled the grass with their teeth and munched it. From where he lay in the shelter of an overhanging ledge of rock, he could see the outline of the pine trees growing near the top of the hill. Suddenly, rising above the trees and looking to the small boy like a tiny star hanging on the top of a Christmas tree, a large and very bright star hung for a few minutes and moved across the sky. It moved too rapidly for an ordinary star and appeared to stop directly above the child's head. Little Star knew that this must be the Star in the East, which he had come to see tonight. He knew that the story the priest had read about the first Christmas must be true. Here was proof of it. The star moved on and stopped not very far away. He felt quite certain that shepherds and kings rode and walked across the sands of an Eastern land, following this very star. They would come to the stable of the inn and see the newborn Babe tonight.

The ache in Little Star's heart brought tears to his dark eyes. So much did he want his second wish to come true. No one knew of it but himself, and if it did not happen no one would ever know. The noises of the night went by him and he listened only for one thing. It must come as the star had come. The priest had said it had happened and that was enough. Little Star knew it happened every year, and this year he had come to see and hear for himself. The earth sloped away gently from where he lay and a number of sheep grazed in the small valley below.

Although the moon was bright, a brighter light filled the tiny valley and the sides of the surrounding slopes. The sheep grazed on, but on the gentle breeze Little Star heard voices singing. Not one, two, three or four voices, but a choir of them, and the melody was not any he had ever heard. The words were those of the Christmas story:

"Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men."

The light grew brighter and Little Star saw many forms which moved in the light, of which they seemed to be the main brightness, and the singing grew louder and sweeter. The beauty of it all filled his eyes and heart and he felt that he must get up and run into the midst of these beautiful people. He stood up and the light began to fade and the voices grew fainter. He ran a few steps, but stopped when he found himself stumbling in the moonlight and the things he had seen and heard were no more.

Little Star did not feel sad. His heart was full of joy and he now felt that his second wish would come true. He returned to his bed and fell asleep. In the early morning, his father wakened him and wondered at the expression of peace and joy on the face of his small, sleeping son.

In the bright sun of early morning they returned to the small house and saw smoke ascending slowly from the chimney. The small boy did not tell his father of the things he saw and heard in the night. That was their way. The tiny home was warm when they entered, but the mother was not there. Everything was as though they were expected, but an atmosphere of excitement was in the place. Although Little Star knew what to expect he did not speak of it to his father. He waited quietly until his father came and took him by the hand to his parents' bedroom. Little Star looked up and smiled. He said: "I knew last night that my second wish would come true. This is the Christmas gift—I have always wanted."

The mother lay in the plain bed and smiled as they came into the room. The air was heavy with the fragrant smell of cedar, pine and spruce. Little Star returned his mother's smile. She beckoned him to come to her. He walked to the bedside, and in his small heart was joy and happiness seldom known in this day. The father watched and followed him to the bedside. As they both looked, a tiny cry came up from the bed. Little Star leaned over and saw the very small face and head of his new-born brother. The father also looked and smiled. In all three hearts beat the newborn joy of the first Christmas. Unto them a babe was born and Little Star's second wish lay sleeping at home on its first Christmas Day.

Lefty and Dan

By R. ENKE

PROBABLY most of you know the dogs Buck, White Fang, Jock of the Bushveldt and Beautiful Joe, from reading the books about them. There are now two more dog friends in books—Lefty and Dan.

"Lefty," by L. R. Rorke, is about a big yellow collie owned by young Matt Carew, who lives in a small town in the West. After there had been trouble at home over Lefty, Matt decides to leave town to find a man whom he knows in a small town forty miles away. The book is the story of Matt's and Lefty's adventures on the way. All through these adventures Lefty stays with Matt, crouching by him as he sleeps in the woods at night, curling up beside him on the truck which gives them a lift. When Matt is tired and hungry, Lefty, head low and tail drooping, walks soberly beside him. And because Lefty was always such a faithful and comforting companion, Matt cannot understand it when the dog disappears. But Lefty's adventures turn out happily in the end, and he comes back to share Matt's new home.

The other dog friend is "Dan—the Dog Detective," by George Wright. But Dan, unlike Lefty, has no master, for he is a stray and has to fend for himself. He is also leader of a band of stray dogs, and is kept busy looking after them and seeing that they do not get into mischief. Among the many dogs in the band is Curly, who was not really a badly behaved dog, but couldn't stand being barked at by Mrs. Smith's little white Pomeranian dog. There is also Bushy, who looked like a very small collie dog, with a very large tail, and a host of others of all shapes and sizes but no particular breed.

With a band as large as this to look after Dan has a pretty busy time, because stray dogs have to be extra well behaved, as they have no masters to speak for them if they get into trouble. All through "Licence-time" Dan has to keep his band hidden, and to pass the time he gives them lessons on how to behave, and how to get food for themselves. But besides his care of the gang Dan has adventures of his own, tracking down stray dogs, finding the sergeant's lost cat, saving the sergeant himself from being buried alive.

You'll like Dan—half shepherd, half Irish setter. He's only a mongrel and a stray, but he has sense and a will of his own. And the pictures of the gang are almost the best part of all.

Christmas Bells

The time draws near the birth of Christ;
The moon is hid; the night is still;
The Christmas bells from hill to hill
Answer each other in the mist.

Four voices of four hamlets round,
From far and near, on mead and moor,
Swell out and fall, as if a door
Were shut between me and the sound.

Each voice four changes on the wind,
That now dilate, and now decrease,
Peace and goodwill, goodwill and peace,
Peace and goodwill to all mankind.

—From "In Memoriam," by Tennyson.

Noel

The sky is black and white the earth.
Sweet bells, chime gaily through the snow!
She smiles on him whom she gave birth,
And Beauty sees her bending so.

No richly-woven curtains hang
To keep the little Child from cold;
Only the dust-laden and long
Grey spiders' webs fall fold on fold.

With cold the little Jesus cries
And shivers on His fresh straw bed,
While ass and ox gaze with soft eyes
And breathe their warmth upon His head.

Crisp snow hangs to the thatched eaves,
And the new-opened heavens tell,
With white angelic hosts, like leaves,
To shepherds of "Noel! Noel!"

—From the French of Theophile Gautier, by Margaret and Vernon Timberley.

Soon to Come Over Rooftops



Here is a decorator's idea of Santa Claus and his reindeer, as he appears on his annual journey over the rooftops of the world on Christmas Eve. Very few people have been able to see him, and not all their stories agree in details, because it is difficult to see persons traveling at night.

A Queer Christmas Tree

"Look, look!" shouted Matt, as the car sped along the dusty white road that wound through the little Swiss villages dotted about the fine wooded slopes at the foot of the mountains. "Oh, look, quick! There's a Christmas tree on the tip-top of that house!"

And so there was, a little Christmas tree festooned with brightly-colored streamers, blowing merrily in the breeze, although it was Summer-time and the fields were gay with daisies and pink vetch.

Uncle Pierre stopped and reversed the car, until they were standing once again by the new house. It was a wooden chalet, which was being built at the outskirts of the village, just like all the other delightful chalets they had passed on their journey.

The children could hardly wait till the car stopped to jump out and scramble up the bank. The framework of the new chalet was complete, and the walls were going up quickly as well; and there, in the very centre, at the top of the sloping roof, was the Christmas tree.

"Will there be presents, too?" asked Jean with bated breath.

"Perhaps; it all depends," answered Uncle Pierre, with a smile. "Though his home was in Switzerland, Uncle Pierre had lived for so many years in England that he spoke English almost as easily as French.

"Tell us why the little tree is there, please, and who the presents will be for," begged the children.

"It is the custom in Switzerland," said their uncle, "for a small tree to be placed at the top of the roof directly the framework of a house is completed. On this tree is hung a colored streamer or handkerchief for each workman who is taking part in the building. When the last nail has been hammered and the house is quite ready for occupation, the men are given a bean feast, at which the youngest workman waits on the rest of his companions.

"It is an occasion for much singing and laughter. The little tree is the centre of the feast, for it is now that the workmen receive their streamers or colored handkerchiefs. If the owner is a wealthy man, streamers have been hung on the tree, and each workman receives a present with his streamer; but if the owner cannot afford that, colored handkerchiefs have been hung on the tree instead.

"I have quite decided to be a Swiss workman when I grow up," said Martin, when Uncle Pierre had finished.

"Supposing," he went on, as they clambered into the car again, "a man wants to build his own house, does he have a Christmas tree all to himself?"

"Most certainly he does," answered Uncle Pierre cheerfully. And sure enough, just as he spoke, the children spied a tiny chalet being built beside a track winding up the mountain slope. On the roof, a little tree had been placed, and on the tree a gaily-colored handkerchief was floating in the soft breeze. The children could see that a woman and little girl were standing beside the house, gazing up at the roof.

Jean clapped her hands with joy. "Of course," she said, "that's their new home, and they've come to see how well the Christmas tree is guarding it for them."

"I expect you're right," smiled Uncle Pierre. "And no doubt they're thinking of the delicious bean feast they're going to prepare to celebrate the completion of the little house."

Jean gave a rapturous sigh. "Don't I just wish I was that little girl!" she remarked.

Then suddenly an idea came to her. "Uncle Pierre," she shouted gleefully, jogging up and down on the seat of the car in her excitement, "what about the hut that Martin and I are building in your garden? Oughtn't it to have a Christmas tree on it, with an orange handkerchief for Martin and a green handkerchief for you, and a blue one for me?"

The White Man and the Jungle

By R. ENKE

ON wet Winter mornings when you pull on your rubbers, do you ever think of the places where rubber comes from, of the trees and animals in the patches of jungle which white men have cleared for their rubber plantations?

There are two very amusing books about these animals and trees, and both are written by Mervyn Skipper. The first book, "The Meeting Pool," is about the animals on the Island of Pulau Daat, off the coast of Borneo. The white man went there to clear the jungle and plant it with rubber. But the animals who had lived and hunted in the jungle were troubled when they saw it being cut down, so each evening, they gathered at the meeting pool to discuss what they could do to make the white man go. At the second meeting, they decided that the python should kill the white man. However, the python, who had just eaten the white man's dog, was having trouble digesting its collar, and rudely went to sleep in the middle of the discussion. Each meeting of the animals started with good suggestions,

but usually ended in quarrels or stories. However, in the end, the white man himself solved the problem, as you will see if you read the book for yourself. The stories which the animals told one another were all good, but the best was the story of "The Jellyfish Who Wouldn't." And then there was the pig whose favorite exclamation was "Oh, my fatness."

"The White Man's Garden" is the story of the shrubs and flowers which the white man's wife had planted in the garden. The man and his wife and their "seedling" leave the island, and a professor comes while they are away, but pays no attention to the plantation. The garden plants are sad to see the family leave, but the jungle is glad as it knows that now it can creep back into the garden. After a dry season and a wet one, and at the beginning of the next dry, the jungle starts to come back, climbing, creeping, stretching out roots and tendrils to get back the garden for its own. All through the book there are the stories that the plants tell one another, including the tales of "Too Many Grandmothers" and "Don't Count Your Cocoanuts Before They Are Plucked."

Song of the Shepherd Children

Know you the hillsides?
Know you where the cave is?
Heard you there a baby voice where cattle loved before?
Oh, may we children go?
Soft shall be our footsteps—
Softly will we sing to him, kneeling at the door:

Kyrie! Kyrie! Dear little stranger!
Dark is the cave and rough is the manger—
Well do the children of shepherds know.
Is a soft arm around you pressed?
Are you held close to a warm, sweet breast?
How gentle was the babe who lay in the manger,
Oh, tell us we children know!—we know!

Heard you an angel?
Heard you voices singing?
Saw you light upon the hill around the frightened sheep?
Oh, truly did they say,
Christ—and Lord—and Saviour?
This shall be our song to him while he lies asleep:

Kyrie! Kyrie! Angels may name you
Saviour of all, yet still can we claim you—
Well do we Bethlehem children know.
Over you hill a great city lies—
Kingdoms are far away under the skies;
Your manger will some day be dear in their eyes!

For you are a King—we know! we know!
—The Greek word for Lord.
—William Allen Knight, in "The Signs in the Christmas Fire."

Christmas Boxes

IN olden days, when a ship left on a long voyage, a priest would put in a long box under the protection of a saint on behalf of the ship. When Masses were said for the safe return of the ship it was the custom of the people who were concerned to put something in the box. The box was not opened until the ship returned to port. The Mass at that time was called "Christ Mass," and so the box became known as the "Christ Mass" box. Later, it was the custom in the houses and certain places of business to put a box in a conspicuous place to collect gratuities for the employees and the shop attendants. The boxes were not opened till the day after Christmas, and it eventually became known as "Boxing Day." At least, this is the legend which has been handed down for generations.

The Fairies' Farewell

We bid farewell to all our haunts,
The nooks where violets scent the air,
The river bank where Iris flaunts
Her gold and purple blossoms fair.
The snow may hide the lonely fells,
Or softly fall the April rain,
The Summer flows may deck the dells,
But ne'er shall we return again.

Alas! for we shall wander wide,
Far from our well-loved woodland home.
The tinkling streamlets used to glide
Among the ferns where we would roam;
But now they turn the wheels of mills,
Enchained by man's untiring hand,
So bid good-bye to all the rills,
And meadows of our native land.

Along the path we loved so well
There stands a row of shepherds' coats.
Each fern-clad nook and hidden dell
Is raked in prim-set garden plots.
Upon our heath a windmill stands,
A smoky hamlet rises near;
We flee away to other lands
And leave our native country dear.

The gentle zephyrs murmur not
About the place, once fair and blest;
They used to cool the forest grot,
And rock the blossoms into rest.
But now they moan about the eaves
Of houses, waiting as in pain;
Of rustle in the dying leaves,
For ne'er shall we return again.

Each fair ravine and verdant gorge
Echoes to man's unceasing toil,
Spindle and loom and clanging forge,
So we must flee the alien soil.
We take once more our harps of gold,
And now shall every crag and fell
And each fair spot we knew of old
Echo the fairies' last farewell.

—Marjorie Pickthall.

Puzzle Corner

All Guessed Wrongly

At a country fair, a competition was held in which the entrants had to guess the number of sweets in a bottle. Five prizes were awarded. Nobody succeeded in guessing the correct number, and the five people who came nearest guessed 600, 581, 590, 605, 591.

One of the competitors was only 3 out; one was 4 out; one was 6 out; one was 11 out, and one was 13 out.

What was the correct number?

Riddle in Rhyme

My first is a palace but not in house,
My second is a queen's but not a queen,
My third is in tinkle but not in thread,
My fourth is in tremble but not in dread,
My fifth is in river but not in wave,
My sixth is in victor but not in brave,
My seventh is in saddle but not in rein,
My eighth is in cudgel but not in cane,
My ninth is in seeing but not in sight,
My whole is a place of learning and light.

Shrinking Word

Find a word of eight letters which implies gay doings. Drop a letter and it means the opposite; drop the two first letters and the result is painful; shed the head and tail of the last word and behold, a metal; behold the metal, and though the result is in your mind you will never make it out.

Beheaded Word

Whole, I mean to keep
Together, and also divide;
Beheaded, I'm given and taken,
As well as often denied.
Behead once more, and of a house
I form a part, you'll say;
Behead, reverse, and then I give
A female's name; now, pray,
Once more behead, and then you'll see
I'm never absent from veracity.

Answers to Last Week's Puzzles

There were eleven boys; one got 2½d, ten got 2½d each.

A Built-Up Word—Nosegay.

A Puzzle Word—Revolution.

A Transposition—Part, trap, art.

Christmas Bits

GOOD King Wenceslaus, of carol fame, was a king of Bohemia.

Tennyson once refused an offer of £1,000 for a short set of verses for Christmas cards.

The Eve of Epiphany, or Twelfth Night (January 6), is to the "children of Rome what Christmas is to us.

Straw is said to be used for decoration in Greek homes on Christmas Day in memory of the stable of Bethlehem.

Christmas carols originated in the eleventh century, being sung between the scenes of the miracle and mystery plays of the period.

The turkey has not always been the favorite bird on the Christmas menu, the peacock, in ancient times, taking its place on the festive board.

The oldest name for Christmas is "The Feast of Lights," in remembrance of the lighted heavens in which the angels appeared on the first Christmas Day.

A Merry, Merry Christmas

DEAR Children.—Last week you learned that your editor was eighty-two years old. She wonders if you mind very much. In all those years the love of children, little and big, has grown stronger and deeper. There is not one of you that she would not help if she could. What a great big family The Colonist Page for Children has. Some of them are grown up and the rest of you, before very long, will be men and women doing all sorts of work in this busy world. Now you are getting ready and Christmas has come to tell you that children should be happy. As I sit in my quiet room I fancy I see smiling faces and hear shouts and laughter, for there is nothing so catching as happiness. So, dear, dear children, a Merry, Merry Christmas to all of you and may the God of Love and Joy bless you every one.—MARIA LAWSON.

Your old friend,
MARIA LAWSON.

Art—Drama—Screen—Opera—Music—Books

Canada's Tenor Expounds Ideas Of Ample Opera

By KEN CLARK
Canadian Press Staff Writer.
NEW YORK (CP).—"I work for them," said Edward Johnson, Canada's contribution to the Metropolitan Opera Company, and he smilingly refused to comment on the possibility of his succession to the post held for twenty-seven years by Giulio Gatti-Casazza, as director of the "Met."

Mr. Johnson, "the world's best operatic tenor," to quote John McCormack, then launched into a discussion of the future of opera. In his apartment on Madison Avenue, rich but not gaudy, with a bearskin rug and a grand piano, the young man from Guelph, Ont., sat on the edge of a chesterfield and talked about the influence of radio and the movies, musical instruction in schools and the business of bringing stars to the smaller centres of Canada and the United States.

THIS AND THAT
He talked of the theatres, how many people you could get to an opera in Cleveland, where Canadian cities fitted in the general picture, how the opera had stuck to tradition against the interest dividing competition of orchestras and stage spectacles—all very precisely and profoundly and with the most engaging excitement.

"Then, you see, we can cut the prices," he said and smirked a faint smile. In a neat suit of business blue, he radiated unbounded energy as he described his ideas for establishing operatic nuclei in cities of moderate size throughout Canada and the United States in order to make economically possible the lending of stars from the Metropolitan for short seasons.

EXTENSIVE VISIT
On his recent visit to Europe for two performances, Mr. Johnson went on, "we could make contracts for twenty-five performances and send them about through the country, if we had musical organizations in smaller cities and theatres which would support the cost. The artists could give more concerts and as a consequence, the guarantee would be less per concert. Thus we could bring the price of admission down." The famous tenor was as pleased as if he had knocked down a whole row of high chairs.

Mr. Johnson thinks the radio and the movies are doing a lot for opera, attracting the interest of a class of people who formerly, because of high prices and its being confined to a few cities, were hardly conscious of its existence. He also thinks, in order to meet competition in the way of symphony orchestras and stage spectacles opera ought to be modernized to take advantage of the best of new stage technique.

But on the question of succeeding Gatti-Casazza he was discretion itself.

Castor Pollux Staged

OXFORD (CP).—Rameau's opera, "Castor and Pollux," which was originally produced in Paris in 1737, has been presented by the Oxford University Club for the first time in England, but was given in Glasgow seven years ago.

The production is a masterpiece of ingenuity, there being no curtain and only one scene. Yet when the burial place of the King of Sparta, the Temple of Juno, is seen, all were all adequately represented in the opera here. Costume and set materials as velvet, silk, calico, pipe-cleaners and paper, and, according to a critic, "very real and rich."

There was a small orchestra, conducted with good effect.

Weak Triad Of Cinemas Presented

NEW YORK (NANA).—"The President Vanishes" is a spotty and hard-to-believe melodrama acted to the hilt by a cast led by Arthur Byron. It'll keep you panting and leave you wondering why you did. From almost every angle, except Greta Garbo's, "The Painted Veil" is a dull picture. But there is always Greta, before whom this department sits open-mouthed and goggle-eyed and who, to this department, can do no wrong. George M. Cohan strives very hard to give "Gambling" the life it had on the stage. He is worth watching, the manner in which his story is unfolded is not.

New Keeper Appointed For National Gallery

LONDON (CP).—Harold Isherwood, assistant at the National Gallery, London, has been appointed keeper and secretary of the gallery, in succession to Edwin Gillingham, retired.

GENE LOCKHART IS ACCLAIMED

By BOB MCTAY
Hailed by the critics as "fast becoming the leading comedian on the American stage," following his work opposite George M. Cohan in Eugene O'Neill's "Ah, Wilderness," Gene Lockhart has gone the way of all good actors and is now in pictures.

One of the most versatile men in the theatre, this young Canadian lad is best known in Canada for his collaboration with Ernest Setz in the writing of "The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise," a ballad which still brings in the royalty checks to the two composers.

Lockhart was born in London, Ontario. When he wasn't winning swim championships in the Summer and playing football with the Argonauts in the Autumn, Lockhart was appearing on concert programmes with Beatrice Lillie or making trans-Canada hops in Scottish musical shows. About twelve years ago, he launched his first independent venture when he wrote, directed and produced a musical revue, "The Pierrot Players." This toured Canada with high success. Later he was with the Boston Opera Company for two or three seasons, playing comedy roles.

EVOLVES NEW TYPE

Meanwhile, Lockhart had married Kitty Arthur, soloist in Toronto churches, later player of principal boy roles in various pantomimes and leading lady in the road companies of "Three Faces East" and "Irene." When the American theatre went four or five years ago, the Lockharts evolved a new type of intimate entertainment called "Sketches from Life." Miniature revues, somewhat similar to English concert parties, the series caught on. Lockhart was not only actor but director, song-writer, author, pianist and dance-director. Last season he had a new series of revues called "Sketches from Life." Then came the role of the drunken poet in "Ah, Wilderness," to be followed by frenzied wires to Hollywood from an excited talent-scout for RKO-Radio Pictures beseeching that Lockhart be signed up before someone else got hold of him. His first picture will be "By Your Leave." Always the arduous worker, Lockhart is still writing three radio scripts a week for the "Lucky Dan" hour and another weekly radio script for "Edward Marshall's Broadway Vanities."

CANADIAN VERSE BOOK PUBLISHED

NANAIMO, B.C. (CP).—Audrey Alexandra Brown is a native daughter of Canada whose imagery is close to the classicism of ancient Greece; whose verse has been described as Keatsian, though she knows little of England's Adonais, and was brought up on Scott, Longfellow and Tennyson.

The implicit element of paradox is incidental, but serves to elicit in the reader the fact that her fluent verse is not the product of any long-frequented fountain, but a spring sharing in its own right in the deep source of all poetry.

"Let me say in all modesty, I would rather be the first Audrey Brown than a second Shakespeare," is her way of declaring for individuality in her work. She is not wedded to the marbles and groves of Greek legend, though some of her most delicate and decorative verse has been concerned with a restatement of classic drama.

Now, in a later edition of "A Dryad in Nanaimo," Miss Brown is including an Indian theme along with "Harold Infelix," which describes the last of the Saxons, and "The Mermaid."

Canadian Actor to Play in Films



GENE LOCKHART
LEADING Broadway comedian and composer, with Ernest Setz, of "The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise." Gene Lockhart, of London, Ont., is Canada's latest contribution to Hollywood pictures. He is now working on "By Your Leave."

Zenith Is Reached In Year

OSCAR (CP).—John and Dorothy's new play, "Flowers of the Forest," has been presented at the Whitehall Theatre, London, by Jack Buchanan and Miss Auriol Lee, a new combination in theatre managers.

Stephen Haggard, nephew of the late Sir Rider Haggard, a young player who, within a year has jumped from the bottom to a top rung in the ladder, has an important role in the production. In the cast are Miss Gwen Frangene-Davies, Lewis Casson and Miss Maria Vanno.

The period of the middle age, the audience is told, is some time between 1914 and 1918, but the present feeling of hostility to warfare is implicit in the scene.

ORDERED PARENTS TO VIEW PICTURE

BROOKLYN, N.Y. (CP).—Judge Samuel D. Levy, dean of the domestic relations court here, was so impressed with the performance of Nova Pilbeam, fourteen-year-old English movie star in the title role of "Little Friend," that he "sentenced" a quarrelling couple in his court to see this film at a local theatre and rehabilitate their home.

Learning the parties had a nine-year-old daughter, Judge Levy recalled "Little Friend" as a picture stressing the child and the heartaches and unhappiness she suffers with her parents in disagreement. He thought thousands of men and women who have encountered marital snares would be brought together in love and happiness through this picture.

Nova Pilbeam got her Christian name from the fact her grandfather was born in Nova Scotia.

Artist and Model Pose



Left, Ise Hoffman; Right, James Montgomery Flagg
JAMES Montgomery Flagg, noted artist and illustrator, recently had a "one-man" exhibition of portraits in New York.
It was this artist's first one-man show of portraits, and said to be probably the first exhibition entirely of pencil portraits ever held in New York.
The artist and one of his models.

Riding Gracefully on Top of Whirl



The whirling dervishes of Arabia may pirouette for a longer time, but not with the grace and rhythm of these California Ballet Company artists, who revolve for twelve minutes in their Oriental number, giving a photographic effect of waves, mushrooms or twirling disks. Elizabeth Talbot-Martin, Thelma Leaton and Joy Montoya are seen performing the "Whirling Symbol Dance."

Classic Reprinted; Courageous Women; A Soldier's Life

By MARION T. ANGUS
"Beautiful Joe" (McClelland & Stewart, Ltd.), by Marshall Saunders.

Classic remained a classic to this reviewer during childhood. This new edition of "Beautiful Joe" was approached in a tolerant attitude. No doubt the book had some merit, but it was probably just one of those things that had become a tradition, and for that reason people hesitated to express their real opinion freely. Quite the contrary, proved the case. It was a very human sort of book, and filled with charming people and very lovable pets, although speaking purely from a personal angle, one would not care to have a slim, green snake, pecking out of one's pockets, nor an affectionate rat sitting on one's shoulders and nuzzling one's ears. Outside of these points, one feels a deep sympathy and admiration for the misused animals and a delightful amusement at the happier pets sheltered by loving hearts.

The story of "Beautiful Joe" is too well known to need much recapitulation. Joe was a dog, abused and mutilated by a cruel master. By a twist of fate he was taken into the home of the kind Morris family, and this book is his autobiography, showing the affection of the Morris children and intersperses much practical information about the care of pets. A little moralizing about humane treatment of all animals forms a fitting contrast to the lively adventures of Joe and his friends.

The story is based on fact, and has been translated into many languages. Each year many new readers fall under its spell and the good for which it has been directly responsible is incalculable. Marshall Saunders, the author, a real animal lover, recently was awarded the high honor of Commander of the British Empire. Beautifully illustrated by Kenneth With.

"Courageous Women" (McClelland & Stewart, Ltd.), by L. M. Montgomery, Marian Keith and M. B. McKinley.

Three Canadian writers have compiled these inspiring biographies of women whose courage and resourcefulness have won them a lasting place in the history of human achievement. Of the twenty-one stories related, fifteen are devoted to Canadian women who have been outstanding in some cultural, humanitarian or social aspect of Canadian life. Others include the Maid of Orleans; Victoria, the girl Queen of England (the romantic story of her ascension somehow overshadows the long, honorable years); Edith Cavell, the heroic nurse who met death at the hands of a German firing squad; Helen Keller, the blind and deaf American girl, who used her disabilities as a stepping-stone to education and success; Mary Slessor, of Calabar, the Scotch girl who became a missionary in one of the most savage and witch-ridden districts of Africa; and Florence Nightingale, the angel of Crime.

Among the Canadians are Madeleine de Vercheres, whose story is familiar to all school children; Laura Secord, whose brave deed saved Canada; Madame Albani, the little French-Canadian girl who became a world-renowned queen of song; Marshall Saunders, author, and many others whose names are less familiar, but whose good deeds shine like a beacon light.

These stories are very simply told in unpretentious language. The lesson, however, that may be gleaned from them is bound to inspire readers with a desire to emulate these courageous women.

"Something About a Soldier" (Macmillan Company of Canada), by R. J. T. Hills.

Interesting traditions are inevitably attached to the heritage of the British army, and the author of this book has given the subject his unstinting effort and tireless research. The material found in its pages will prove a delight to both the military-minded and to those who are interested in learning the "why" of things.

The first chapter, "The Lure of the Army," gives a concise account of the "perfect" soldier, whose name is used to designate the common soldier—Tommy Atkins. Tommy Atkins, one learns, was a grenadier in the 33rd Foot (now the 1st Battalion the Duke of Wellington's Own—West Riding), who lost his life in Flanders during the retreat from Malines to Bremen in September, 1794. His reputation as a soldier and a man was such that in July, 1843, the Iron Duke decided to perpetuate his memory by using his name on the soldiers' model sheets.

The intimate connection between the capture of Quebec, the raising of the 17th Dragoons by General John Hale and the present Lord Strathcona's Horse (Royal Canadians) is another interesting story. The genius of the ordinary soldier for picking apt nicknames is dealt with in the chapter, "Nicknames from the Battlefield," although not all regimental sobriquets were derived directly from the battlefield. Notable or humorous exploits in purloining as well as lampooning of distinctive badges, etc., are responsible for some of the names attached to various regiments.

New books, some of which will be reviewed in this column later:

"Rude Earth" (Dents), by Reader Connor.

"Heron" (Dents), by Romilly Cavan.

"Pitcairn's Island" (Little, Brown & Company), by Nordhoff & Hall.

"Island of Refuge" (Dents), by John Fisher.

"A Dryad in Nanaimo" (Macmillan), by Audrey Alexander Brown.

"A Book of Canadian Prose and Verse" (Macmillan), Broadus & Broadus.

"Blue Water," F. W. Wallace.

"Wolves," Guy Mazeline.

"The Passing Chapter," Shane Leslie.

"Daffodil," Cecil Barr.

SINGER RESENTS OPERA DICTATION

LONDON (CP).—Fraulein Lotte Lehmann, the celebrated Lieder and opera singer, has announced she will never sing again in Germany. Her decision is the answer to General Goring's demand that if she wished to retain the title of "Kammersänger," a distinction which she shares with Eleonora Gerhardt and half a dozen other famous Continental artists, she must live in Berlin.

She will not be dictated to, she says, by the Nazi leaders or anybody else as to her private arrangements.

Fraulein Lehmann was born a German, but since she married her husband, Herr Kraus, who is an Austrian, she has become an Austrian subject and lives in Vienna. The title "Kammersänger" was originally conferred on any distinguished operatic singer who was commanded to appear at one or other of the German courts. The title has been retained and is held now by the chief operatic artists in Berlin.

Guild Produces Birthright Play

LONDON (CP).—The first performance in England of the play "Birthright," written by Richard Maibaum, was given by the Plinius Players, under the auspices of the Jewish Education Guild, at the Cambridge Theatre, Sunday, December 16.

Treasures Of Oxford Are Shown

LONDON (NANA).—For the first time in the history of Oxford, some of the chief treasures from the Archives have recently been on view in the picture gallery of the Bodleian, in commemoration of the centenary of the appointment of Brian Twyne as the first Keeper of the Archives of the University.

To Twyne's unwearied and disinterested labors the University of Oxford largely owes the Laudian Code of Statutes, the foundation of its present constitution; as well as the great charter of Charles I. the most ample grant of privileges ever received. For his loyal help Twyne was, in 1634, appointed first Keeper of the Archives, an office he held until his death in 1644.

One of the exhibits in the university account book of 1557-58, the earliest account book in the possession of the university. It records the expenses of John de Burton, who made four journeys to London on university business. The journey took two days, and his bill at one place on route was: Bread, a halfpenny; ale, a penny; meals, threepence; bed, a penny; candles, a farthing; hay, a penny; fodder, threepence and fuel, a halfpenny.

Sir Nigel Playfair Wants Art Memorial

LONDON (CP).—Sir Nigel Playfair, the late actor-manager and producer, in his will asked that any memorial to him should be a tablet in Holy Trinity Church, St. Andrew's, Scotland, designed by George Sheringham, artist and designer.

U.S.S.R. Sells for \$250,000



Le Mezzetin, which starving, tubercular Antoine Watteau had to sell for sixty livres, is now in Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York, and the Soviet Government is \$250,000 richer. That is the reported price paid for the painting, which has been in the Hermitage Museum, Leningrad, since the revolution. The Soviet Government will use the money for encouragement of Russian art.

Scenario Worries; Elizabethan Films; Trouble in Venice

By JOAN LITTLEFIELD
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LONDON.—E. Alexander, literary editor of the Gaumont-British Picture Corporation, whose job it is to find stories suitable for filming, says that fewer than two per cent of the 200 stories read by his department each week are in any way suitable.

"The chief faults of would-be scenarioists," he says, "are lack of originality and lack of knowledge of the technique of film production. It is practically impossible for a person with no writing experience to produce a story which can be translated in terms of the screen."

"The 200 stories that my reading department go through every week include new novels, new plays and literary efforts sent in by amateurs. Our staff consists of several expert readers inside the building and three or four experienced persons who do a similar job outside. Each theatrical first night in London, Paris, Vienna and Budapest is attended by a story-seeker. Reports on fifty possible stories weekly are made to the chief of the scenario department. When a suitable subject is found, further discussion takes place.

"One of our chief troubles is the individual, who, after the showing of a successful film, writes to say that one point in it has some faint resemblance to an idea he has had included in an original story sent in many months previously. As a matter of fact, ninety per cent of our stories are variations on the same theme, namely, the normal behavior of human beings. The idea that film companies find it worth while to fish stray lines from rejected manuscripts is a fallacy. Authors are found."

ELIZABETHAN DAYS

Elizabethan England is to figure in two important new British films to be made, respectively, by London Films and British International Pictures.

London Films announce that Flora Robson, who will be remembered for her Empress Elizabeth in "Catherine the Great," is to be Queen Elizabeth in what is described as "a straightforward historical film with highly dramatic qualities." The film will cover the reign of the Virgin Queen, and in it will appear such famous figures as Mary, Queen of Scots, Philip of Spain, Drake and Sir Walter Raleigh.

British International Pictures are calling their film "Drake of England," and it will consist of incidents in the life of the great English admiral, Sir Francis Drake. Matheson Lang will play the title part. Production is scheduled to begin early next month. Queen Elizabeth will, of course, figure prominently in the film.

TROUBLE IN VENICE

Elizabeth Bergner and the rest of the "Escape Me, Never" company are now working at Elstree, after having been on location in the Dolomites and Venice.

Miss Bergner likes to work undisturbed, so not many visitors are allowed on the set, but recently Sir James Barrie paid one of his rare visits to a film studio in order to see his newest leading lady at work. In Next Autumn, probably, we shall see Miss Bergner in the play Sir James has written specially for her.

In Venice the company found many problems before them: the three chief being transport, crowds and the smell from the Fish Market. The problem of transport was solved by employing a small fleet of motor launches and a barge for the sound track, though, even then,

shooting was not easy on the busy Grand Canal.

Shooting scenes in the vegetable market was another hectic affair, and one day the players were so hemmed in by crowds that they had to abandon work for the day.

Hugh Sinclair, Leon Quartermaine and Griffith Jones are repeating their original stage parts in this film, and Irene Vanburgh and Penelope Dudley Ward are other members of the cast.

One of Britain's favorite crooners, Les Allen, is figuring in "The Code," a Gainsborough picture, now being made at Islington. With him are Anna Lee, Jack Hulbert's leading lady in "The Camels Are Coming," Bernard Nedell, who seems to be established in England forever more; Bruce Winston, who is also playing in "Saint John" at the Old Vic; Cyril Maude, Vera Pearce and Albert Burdon.

Maurice Sigler, Al Hoffman and Albert Goodheart, well-known American song writers, have been engaged to write special numbers for Les Allen for this film.

Exploits; Science; Boyhood

By CHARLES ESTOUCOURT, JR.

NEW YORK (NANA).—It is Norman Thomas' achievement in "Human Exploitation" (Stokes) that he makes statistics come to life; and that he induces hard, fleshless figures to reveal the something that makes them human.

Thomas is a Socialist, and the great majority may quarrel with his point of view, but here is no axe-grinder's book. Here is, for the most part, only the point of view of a man who sees the wreck of modern living. All the forgotten men of America get their piteous say in this book and their say is worth hearing. We have not anywhere seen a more compelling summation of the shattered and crushed debris upon which modern glory rests.

A few years after he had constructed it, the scientists were being away at Sir Isaac Newton's Watchmaker's Universe. By the time the scientists had it all apart, they started putting it together again, and the bigger and better Watchmaker's Universe is on view in "The Great Design" (Macmillan), a symposium by fourteen distinguished specialists.

"The Great Design" is a vivid discussion of order and intelligence in the universe. In it great scientists think beyond their instruments, their calculations and their immediate problems, and give us their answers to the distributing questions their own researches have created. It is a rare opportunity to hear them talk in this manner and to see the acknowledged experts have permitted doubt to cloud a face thrust toward a finite infinity, a curved and exploding heaven.

"Little Orvie" stalks broodingly through the pages of Booth Tarkington's latest book, a delightful return to the vein of the Penrod stories. "Little Orvie" has moments when his world seems golden, but in general he considers himself a sadly-misjudged small boy, held responsible by his elders for the dark deeds of others. A source of gentle chuckles and reminiscent mirth, this book. The publishers of "Little Orvie" are Doubleday, Doran.

WOULD ABOLISH CITY SCHOOLS

Quakers' Education Committee Suggests Children Go Out to Country

LONDON (BUP).—A scheme which would dispense with all the present schools in London and provide new schools in the sun and air of the countryside is being put forward by the Education Committee of the Society of Friends.

They claim that their plan could be effected with very little trouble or cost and might even result in a financial gain, since the value of the present school sites in London is colossal.

It is suggested that "business" trains on their return journey could be used to take the children to school and bring them back to the city again.

PLAN TO AUCTION GREAT WARDROBE

LONDON (CP).—"Willie" Clarkson, famous wig-maker and theatrical costumier, London, who died a short time ago, left what was said to be the largest "wardrobe" in the world, including 50,000 military uniforms from William the Conqueror's time to the present.

Everything is to be sold by auction, except a jewel-encrusted costume worn by the late Dame Ellen Terry. This will go to the Ellen Terry Museum.

Great Britain and the Dominions Overseas

Firemen Shovel Up Money Into Buckets When House Aflame

Lifetime's Savings in Coins and Notes Hidden by Hoarder Who Put No Trust in Banks—Marauders Search Ashes

SYDNEY, N.S.W. (BUP).—Thousands of copper, silver and gold coins were shovelled into buckets by firemen when they saved a man's hoard from burning in Leichhardt, Sydney. The owner, who had lived in the house for thirty years, was making frantic efforts to save his money from the flames when the firemen arrived. He explained that the money, which amounted to about £600, represented his life savings, and that he hoarded it in the belief that it would be safer under his care than in a bank.

Flames were threatening a bedroom where most of the money was kept when the firemen secured buckets and began to shovel the money into them. Sovereigns, silver, and copper coins, minted in England and Australia, gold jewelry, diamond rings, and banknotes were found in drawers, under a bed, and hidden in various parts of the building. They were shoveled into the buckets and taken to safety. Police, who attended the fire, had the money loaded into a motor car and escorted it to a bank. Next morning marauders scratched up nearly £40 worth of coins from the ashes before the police stopped them.

DROPS LINE TO PRINCESS

Nine-Year-Old in South Africa Sends Along Her Congratulations

JOHANNESBURG, SOUTH AFRICA (BUP).—A little girl, of Benoni, who wrote to Princess Marina when her engagement to Prince George was announced, is the proudest child in the town today.

Unknown to her parents, Sheila Sussman, aged nine, wrote the following letter to the Princess, "care of St. James' Palace, London":

"Dear Princess Marina, I congratulate you heartily on your wonderful choice of our charming Prince George. It was just my ninth birthday when the Prince arrived in our little town. Our streets were so gaily decorated when our school turned out to meet him. He looked so tall and handsome, and I was so excited that my heart nearly stopped beating.

"You must be really beautiful to win his dear heart—Your loving friend, Sheila Sussman."

It was only when a letter, bearing a royal monogram and addressed to Sheila, arrived at Benoni that her parents heard what the child had done. This letter from the controller to Princess Marina conveyed the Princess's thanks for the little girl's message of good wishes.

QUEER REASONS FOR UNIFORMS

Barristers' Gowns Mourning for Queen Anne—Busbies Relic of Jealousy

LONDON (BUP).—Why do barristers wear black gowns? Because the members of the profession once went into mourning for Queen Anne.

This was one of the examples of conservatism in dress, given by Wilfrid Mark Webb, secretary of the Selbourne Society, in a lecture at the Horniman Museum.

The busby of the Hussar, he said, was a relic of jealousy among army officers. It was originally varied according to the colonel's purse, one colonel putting on two inches of fur, another four, and so on, till it was all fur to the top.

A man's coat buttons on the right side because once this gave him easy access to his dagger.

VICTIMS OF WAR GAS GOING BLIND

Many Ex-Soldiers Losing Their Sight Despite Continuous Treatment to Overcome Effect

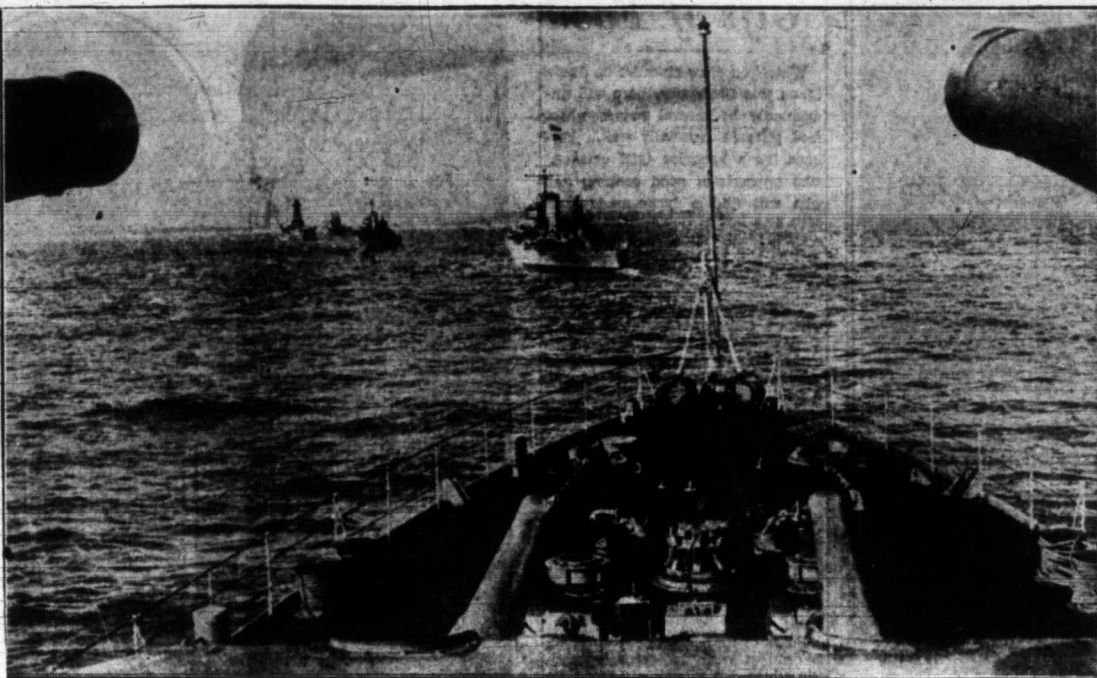
LONDON (BUP).—As a result of being gassed during the War, many ex-soldiers are going blind.

Within the last eighteen months seven men, gassed during 1917 and 1918, have been admitted to St. Dunstan's Hospital suffering from progressive deterioration of vision despite continuous treatment, according to Colonel R. E. Bickerton, ophthalmic surgeon.

These men were badly gassed by shell and cloud mustard gas, declares Dr. Bickerton, and their conjunctivae are as inflamed today as they were after the acute effects had passed off in 1917 and 1918. They are suffering from a chronic conjunctivitis of such nature and severity, he says, as to indicate total destruction of the mucin-secreting glands.

Lachrymatory gas, chlorine and bromine—uncomfortable and irritating as they were, did not do any permanent damage to the eyes, states Dr. Bickerton.

British Warships Starting for Manoeuvres



The Home Fleet of Great Britain Off to the North Sea for Their Annual Manoeuvres. This Photograph Was Taken From the Deck of H.M.S. Neptune, and Shows, Left to Right, the Warships Barham, Hood, Leander and Orion

VOICE BOX GIVES MAN HIS SPEECH

Mechanical Contrivance Granted into Man's Neck After Larynx Removed

CAN EVEN SING A JOVIAL SONG

SYDNEY, N.S.W. (BUP).—William Thomas Firmstone, of Mascot, a Sydney suburb, sings and talks through a mechanical voice box grafted into his neck.

Two years ago Firmstone's voice cracked. His health began to fail and a year later he was facing death. He entered a hospital and came under the care of a doctor, who operated on him. His larynx was removed, and for months he was voiceless. Then the doctor asked a friend visiting America to obtain a mechanical voice-box, recently perfected in the laboratories of the Bell Telephone Company in that country. It had already been used to aid a few similar cases in other parts of the world.

Firmstone now "talks through his neck," as the device is connected with the windpipe by a tube through the wound made when the larynx was removed. The sound is produced by a reed, but it is controlled by the vocal muscles.

"It was difficult to use at first," said Firmstone, "but I soon accomplished this by repeating the vowel and consonant lessons in a book on elocution. I have learnt to sing 'For He's a Jolly Good Fellow.'"

Hitler's Picture Spoiled the Sale

LONDON (BUP).—Because 100,000 oranges—a consignment from Spain—were wrapped in papers bearing pictures of Hitler, they were withdrawn from auction at the London Fruit Exchange.

Dealers expressed their resentment at the wrapper and refused to bid for them.

It was understood that the shipment had been intended for Germany.

POACHERS GET THEIR DESERTS

Australian Authorities Deal With Japanese for Illegal Fishing Operations

SYDNEY, N.S.W. (BUP).—Australian authorities have taken the first definite action against Japanese poachers in the territorial waters of the continent and New Guinea by imposing fines and imprisonment on twenty-four Japanese.

All were members of the crew of the schooner Yokkune Maru, which was recently seized in the Admiralty Islands, part of the mandated territory of New Guinea. They were charged for breaches of fisheries laws, and of the ordinances on customs, quarantine and immigration. All pleaded guilty and each of the twenty-four was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. Fines totalling £1,800 were imposed.

SERIOUS OFFENCE

One of the charges against the master of the schooner, Shumpei Gomi, was of fishing trochus shell, the minimum size allowed by law. This, the magistrate said, was a most serious offence, as trochus fisheries were being established by white settlers to prevent the industry becoming extinct.

Recently, the Bishop of Carpentaria, Right Rev. S. H. Davies, in whose diocese the fisheries are, protested against Japanese poaching, and added that the Japanese brought Eastern diseases to Australia. Unless the Government took control, he said, poachers from Formosa would make the industry impossible for whites.

PRINCESS MARINA FASHION LEADER

Has Great Flair for Style and Showed Exquisite Taste in Choosing Trousseau

LONDON (BUP).—Princess Marina, says her British dressmaker in Paris, is going to exert a tremendous influence on modern fashions. Not since the days of the Empress Eugenie, he says, has anyone come to Paris with so much flair for style as the young princess.

"Everything she has she has designed with me, and it was a constant delight to me to see how her exquisite taste showed itself in everything she selected."

Fashions for the immediate future will follow those set by the Princess. Clothes will be simple, but the fabrics will be luxurious, rich, heavy materials, stiff taffetas and velvets.

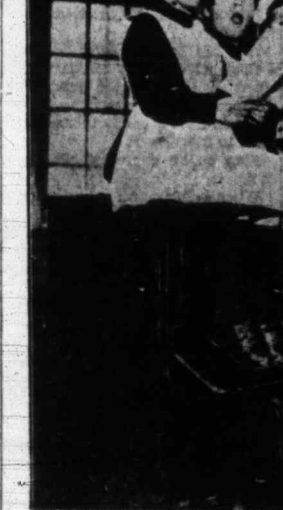
LABORER DISCOVERS TREASURE IN TRENCH

LONDON (BUP).—Some old coins, found in a trench by a laborer, and sold by him to a passer-by for £125, have turned out to be of great value.

The 360 coins, a few of them gold, and several dating back to 65 B.C., were sent to the British Museum.

The police are trying to trace the man who found them.

Sure Sign of Christmas



Young Inmates of a Surrey, England, Foundling Hospital Begin Their Rehearsals of Christmas Carols

France Buying Ceylon's Charcoal For Gas Masks

COLOMBO, Ceylon (BUP).—France is now Ceylon's biggest customer for charcoal made from coconut shell, and it is believed that the large purchases made are for use in gas masks. France purchased 73,155 cwts. valued at £17,000, during the first nine months of this year.

LONDON AGAIN LUXURY CENTRE

Most of World's Trade in Diamonds and Furs Done in England

LONDON (BUP).—Rough diamonds to the value of \$75,000,000 and more than \$50,000,000 worth of furs have changed hands this year in London, which is fast regaining its supremacy as the centre of the world's luxury trade.

Ninety per cent of the world's deals in diamonds are made in London, and fur sales have doubled since 1931.

Canada alone has sent \$7,500,000 worth of raw furs here this year and these are being finished and sold all over the world for more than \$20,000,000.

The European fur trade is largely run by Jews, and the Nazi regime in Germany has resulted in most of them coming to London and bringing their customers with them.

SUPPLIES WORLD WITH GELATINE

Australia Now Has Biggest Factory of Its Kind—Only Established Fifteen Years

MELBOURNE.—A romance of Australian enterprise is to be found in the history of the gelatine industry. Though in years it is but an infant industry, it is already supplying an Empire market.

Gelatine manufacture was first established in Australia in 1919, at Botany, New South Wales. Up to that time Australia was dependent upon supplies from other countries.

The original plant at Botany has since been greatly extended, and today is claimed to be the largest works, with the greatest output of any similar plant in the world.

Apart from supplying Australia and New Zealand with their requirements in gelatine, the Australian company concerned secured last year upwards of 60 per cent of the total trade in South Africa, over 40 per cent of the edible gelatine trade of Canada, and is now finding an eager demand amongst manufacturers in Great Britain. It is claimed that this industry is now producing 62 per cent of the total gelatine produced in the Empire.

VESSEL IS DRIVEN JUST LIKE A CAR

LONDON (BUP).—The first Diesel-electric paddle vessel in history is being built on the Clyde for service in British waters.

The most remarkable feature of the new ship is that her captain will be able to steer and control her in the same way as a motor car is driven. By advancing a lever he can regulate the amount of power given to the engines, direct the ship's course or put it into reverse.

She is 215 feet long, of 500 tons displacement, and her machinery consists of a 1,200-horsepower electric motor deriving its current from 400-horsepower Diesel engines.

Boy Predicts His Own Death and Makes No Error

MADRAS (BUP).—Three days before his death, an apparently healthy schoolboy, aged thirteen, Peruvelli Nalan, of Madras, predicted the exact hour of his death.

While he was going home from school, he was hit by a car and killed at him.

"I am not going to die from dog-bite," he said, "but I will die from a car accident."

The next day he made a present of all his school books to his sister, and told his mother to buy three planks for his coffin, as he would die on the following day.

The family took little notice, as he was in excellent health. But on the day of his death he refused to go to school, and in the afternoon he fell dead.

AUSTRALIANS MAKE A HIT

Lady From United States Finds Them Tall, Dark and Handsome

"Australian men are tall, dark and handsome," said Mrs. Ann Munn, of Pittsburgh, U.S.A., whose husband, Mr. Ralph Munn, of the Carnegie Institute, New York, has been surveying Australian libraries on behalf of the Rockefeller Trust.

Mrs. Munn said handsome, well-tailored men supplied only one surprise of many she received in Australia. She was fascinated by the aboriginal tribes, charmed by the beauty and number of types of sweet-smelling flowers, and impressed by the cleanliness and splendid layout of the cities, particularly Melbourne and Perth.

"Then there is your marvelous game of Australian football," said Mrs. Munn. "The game interests me far more than our American football. It is faster, more open, and more interesting for spectators."

Another surprise was to see eucalyptus trees growing everywhere. In California she had been told repeatedly that this tree was peculiar to that state.

"BILLY TEA" FOR BRITISH ROYALTY

Old Australian Bushman Sends His Recipe for Use of Royal Visitor

MELBOURNE.—"Billy" tea is known and appreciated by all Australians because it has a flavor peculiarly its own, which cannot be reproduced with the usual kitchen utensils.

The "billy" is what is sometimes known as a "growler" in America—just a tin can with a lid, preferably well smoke-blackened.

Hearing that the Duke of Gloucester was to be introduced to Billy tea, an old bushman sent this recipe to the Melbourne Centenary Council:

"Place a three-quart billy of water on the fire, take the lid off in readiness, and, just as it comes to the boil, drop in a handful of mixed tea and sugar—two-thirds sugar and one-third tea."

"Let the billy remain on the fire for one second, then take off, stir round with a dry stick, allow to stand for a minute, then serve."

"A new billy must not be used, as the tea would taste raw."

"I hope you make a good job of it," he concluded, "as the taste may spread through the Royal Household, and perhaps make Billy tea popular throughout the world."

Other Billy tea experts advised putting the tea in the boiling water without the sugar, sweetening to taste in the cups or pannikins.

King's Words to Parliament Not An Empty Phrase

Some See Hidden Implications in Benediction at End of Speech—Old London Characteristics Gradually Vanishing—Collecting Fire Tithes Nearly Three Centuries After Fire of London

LONDON (BUP).—Are there any special hidden implications in the wording of the Benediction at the close of the King's Speech when he opens or prorogues Parliament? People who notice these things think there may be. However the words may be interpreted the phraseology certainly does vary. This week when His Majesty concluded his speech he said in that remarkably distinct enunciation of his, which was heard by everyone present in the House of Lords:

"I pray that, under the blessing of God, the outcome of your deliberations may advance the happiness and well-being of my people and the peace of the world."

At one time it seemed that the form was to be stabilized as:

"I pray that under the blessing of God the outcome of your deliberations may advance the happiness and well-being of my people."

In fact over a number of years a set form of words has been used only twice; this was:

"I pray the blessing of Almighty God may rest upon your labours."

Another form used in 1931 at the time of the crisis was:

"In bidding you farewell I earnestly commend you to the merciful protection and guidance of Almighty God."

At any rate our present day forms are an improvement on the Victorian suggestion of "first keep your powder dry and then fear God."

"During the recess you will continue to gather that practical knowledge and experience which form the solid basis of legislative action."

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A NEW DEPARTURE

Speaking of the opening of Parliament is a new reminder of the fact that when the King went from Buckingham Palace to the House of Lords the other day he, for the first time in history, used a motor car.

Happily it is not intended to set up a precedent, but the heavy fog prevailing was the cause of the decision not to use the Great State Coach with its eight horses, its four postillions and its eight walking-grooms.

I say "happily," because we love pomp and circumstance—in our ancient rituals of such ceremonial processions, and no conceivable procession of mere motor cars can compare in stateliness with a cavalcade of all the King's Horses and all the King's Men.

Nevertheless, in the matter of comfort, the coach must take second place. The great State Coach used on such occasions was made in 1761. It is mounted on the old-fashioned leather "C" springs, which even on our modern "billiard-table" roads set up an unpleasant rolling motion. It weighs some four tons or so. It cost, in 1761, about \$35,000, a sum which to translate it into our present-day values, would need multiplication four or five times.

There are also the eight sets of harness with their gold-embroidered copper embellishments which are worth about \$100,000.

It may be true that to make a paraphrase—the more London changes the more it is the same, but the fact remains that one of the oldest characteristics of London is gradually vanishing.

The very names of many of the ancient thoroughfares reveal their origins; they were the spots which, in the course of the centuries, had become the centres of this or that trade or handicraft. Consider a few instances out of many. Bread

WONDERFUL CONTINUITY

But there are other aspects of London New, which show no break in continuity with London Old.

The other day, for instance, the Lord Mayor of London in his capacity of Chief Magistrate of the City. They were in respect of the claim for the now trivial sums of £2.68, £3.30 and £4.38, and if we go back to the first causes we must refer to the Great Fire of London of the year 1666. In short, these sums were claimed in respect of that fire!

They were "fire tithes," and the nominal claimants were stated in the summonses to be collectors, "duly appointed by the churchwardens and overseers of the Parish of St. Bride (alias St. Bride), the church of which was demolished or in part consumed by the dreadful fire in the year 1666."

These tithes are still collected in the city after a course of 268 years, under an Act of Charles II, the only persons excused thereunder being "the people called Quakers."

Once, in the "reign" of a Roman Catholic Lord Mayor, several people claimed exemption because they did not—as he did not—attend a Protestant church. But they did not "get away with it."

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

Things really and truly hard. Two constants comparing notes the other day after sitting at a examination for promotion:

No. 1—"What did you answer to this?" "What is the Koran?"

No. 2—"I said it is a part of Japan. What did you say to 'Who was Shylock?'"

No. 1—"Easy. A famous detective."

OXFORD STUDENTS HONOR CANADIAN

Members of Union Elect Rhodes Scholar From Montreal to Be President

OXFORD (BUP).—David Lewis, twenty-five-year-old Rhodes scholar from Montreal, has been elected to the presidency of the Oxford Union Debating Society. He is the first Canadian ever to hold office.

Lewis, the son of Mr. and Mrs. M. Lewis, 3607 Esplanade Avenue, Montreal, has been active in undergraduate politics for the last three years. He won the highest oratorical honors at McGill University when an undergraduate there, and at the age of twenty was named secretary of the Province of Quebec Labor party.

A Pole by birth, Lewis became a Canadian citizen shortly after the World War. He is at Lincoln College, which also produced the only American ever to hold the union presidency, W. J. Bland, of Kansas City. Bland was killed in action with the British Army in 1917.

In the same election, Arthur Larsen, Rhodes scholar from South Dakota, was named union librarian. He will be a candidate for president next Spring.

Cast-Iron Road Tried in London

LONDON (BUP).—Motoring tests on a cast-iron road, constructed in a section of the Agricultural Hall at Islington, were witnessed by representatives of public authorities from all parts of Britain the other day.

The road is of studded cast-iron on a bed of concrete. Its makers claim that it will last for generations, because cast-iron does not corrode; that it is non-splash and puddle-free, as the water drains off between the studs; and that the studs make skidding impossible.

EARTH TOO SMALL FOR AIR SPEED

Leading Aeronautical Expert Has Remarkable View of Aviation's Future

LINERS NOT LIKELY IN STRATOSPHERE

LONDON (BUP).—That the speed of aircraft will eventually be limited by the size of the earth was the remarkable view expressed by Igor Sikorsky, one of the leading aeronautical experts in the United States.

Describing to the Royal Aeronautical Society in London the giant flying boat he has designed for Pan-American Airways, he said that it was reasonable to conclude that efficient airplanes, still larger, and weighing hundreds of tons were possible.

While greater cruising speeds were possible, Sikorsky declared, the size of the earth did not warrant them. In his opinion the progress of air transportation would benefit more if designers would give more attention to increased passenger comfort and lower cost.

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Founder of Navy Battalions Dead

LONDON, Dec. 19 (AP).—Lieutenant-Colonel John Ward, sixty-eight, who raised the famous navies' workers' battalions during the Great War, died today at his home in Weyhill.

Colonel Ward was known as the "navies' M.P." in his twenty-three years as a member of Parliament. He founded the Navies' Union in 1889, and as a military man won various decorations.

Start on Daring Venture



Florence Blenkiron (left) and Theresa Wallach are set for an intended motorcycle journey from England to Capetown on the southern tip of Africa. They will go by way of the Sahara Desert and Algiers. Luggage will be carried in a trailer.

What's New and Interesting for the Women

Winter Orange Recipes

Do you like oranges? Mass displays of this golden fruit on fruit stands and in grocers' windows bring the good news to food consumers that Mother Nature is now pouring a bumper crop of large-sized navel oranges into the national fruit basket.

Although unusually large and of superior quality, a simple bit of bargain mathematics shows that this fruit fits even the moderate family budget. One dozen of these larger oranges, 100's, 125's and 150's, which means 100, 125 or 150 oranges to a box, cost less and have approximately the same juice and food content as two dozen of the half-as-large sizes (200's, 252's and 324's), which have been on the market for the past few seasons.

Size, it is interesting to know, is determined by climatic and other factors that the grower cannot control. The same trees bear a larger proportion of big oranges one year and little ones the next, all fruit having the same quality. The fruit most abundant in any season is the best buy.

The navel orange variety is unique in that it yields its harvest when snow covers the fruit orchards of colder sections of the country. Fruit is not stored but is tree-ripened and comes direct from the grove to the consumer all through the winter months. This variety may always be identified by the deep, golden color of its skin and by the peculiar "navel" formation with which Mother Nature trademarks it as seedless.

The rich flavor of these oranges makes them excellent for juice and their firm, meaty, easily freed from membrane, together with their size, makes them especially adapted for sales and segments that may be used as the basis for many winter menus. These dishes lend an important balance to winter menus in providing vitamin C, which the body requires daily and of which oranges are the foremost everyday source. Among novel salads and desserts of this type are the following:

ORANGE WINTER FRUIT SALAD (Serves Six)

Food authorities recommend that each day's menu include at least one serving of fresh fruit. This may be a delicious salad of the fresh fruits available at this season, such as the following: Six large navel oranges, one-third cup banana slices, one-third cup apple cubes, one-third cup raisins, one-quarter cup mayonnaise. Peel oranges, removing skin and membrane down to juicy pulp. Cut in slices. Arrange circles of these slices on individual lettuce-covered salad plates. Marinate banana and apple with orange juice saved in preparing orange slices. This prevents discoloration. Combine these fruits with the raisins and mayonnaise. Place in center of orange slices. Top each mound with additional mayonnaise and three raisins.

ORANGE BANANA SPLIT SALAD (Serves One)

On a salad plate covered with crisp lettuce, place a banana which has been split lengthwise. Peel a large orange, removing skin down to juicy pulp. Slice and place four or five slices on the split banana. Top each orange slice with a date, stuffed with cream cheese, moistened with orange juice. Serve with any desired dressing.

ORANGE ARABIAN (Serves Six)

This is a "ten-minute" winter fruit dessert that makes an excellent balance for the heavier meats and vegetable dishes served at this season: Six large California navel oranges, one-quarter cup chopped almonds, three-quarters cup shredded dates. Peel oranges, removing skin and membrane down to juicy pulp. Cut in slices and then again in half slices. Arrange slices in serving dishes and sprinkle with the nuts and dates.

ORANGE FONDANT

3 cups sugar
1/2 cup evaporated milk
2-3 cup orange juice
1 cup butter
Combine ingredients and cook to a soft ball when tried in cold water. Pour on to a buttered platter and let cool until mixture retains a dent made by the finger. Stir with a spatula or large spoon until fondant is smooth and creamy.

Gifts for Grandmother

DON'T think that because grandmother is old she doesn't care for pretty, dainty things. She does. Following are a few she would love: Perfume, dusting powder, eau de Cologne, smelling salts in pretty bottle, imported toilet soap, beads, lockets, bracelet, lace gloves, fur neckpiece, flannel robe, couch throw, flowering plant, bed slippers, handkerchiefs, fountain pen, stationery, diary, pocketbook.

Make Gifts Pretty



Wrapped Christmas Packages

By LILIAN CAMPBELL

Of all the preparations for Christmas, none gives one more pleasure than wrapping the gifts in pretty paper, sealing them with stickers, tying them up with ribbon or cord, and putting on the cards.

Christmas packages are so pretty when ready to deliver that one hardly can bear to part with them, or can hardly wait until the recipient receives them. And when he or she gets the package, they hardly have the heart to tear the pretty wrappings off to get at the gift within.

This year decorated papers and all the other fixings are more plentiful than ever. But we always are on the lookout for original ways of wrapping presents, so here are a few suggestions:

Take the candy striped package in the upper right-hand corner. This is red, white and blue striped paper, which is this year coming into its own as a Christmas color scheme. A

cardboard tube is used for the foundation. It makes a clever wrapping for a gift, or an ideal container for a number of small items.

The package that looks like a snapping motto, below the cornucopia, is made of white crepe paper over a cardboard tube. It is a cunning idea for a small gift like a necktie or a couple of handkerchiefs, and it will keep the recipient guessing.

The cornucopia, top left, is especially nice for a child's gift, and can be made as large or small as you like.

The package with the address label shows an interesting way of using a label. In any instance design it is pasted down over the silver paper ribbon and holds it in place at the same time that it decorates the plain red glazed paper of the box-wrapping.

The other three wrappings shown are all clever, although perhaps not so unusual as the others.

Help "Santa" Say It With Gift of Food

When you draw an order on Santa Claus this Christmas, there will undoubtedly be several names where food gifts fit especially well. Perhaps it's a bachelor (girl or man) who appreciates good cooking and who will find a home-made fruit cake or a box of home-made cookies a great treat. Or it may be a shut-in who will gain especial enjoyment from a glass of orange marmalade or jelly.

Then there are the friends to whom a Christmas basket of food is a welcome and useful gift. This basket may be placed by yourself, or your grocer will be glad to aid you. A fruit basket, in which dried fruits, apples, bananas, lemons and the golden Navel oranges, now in market, are heaped, makes a most acceptable gift and need not be expensive.

For a very practical but inexpensive present, some grocers are packing shopping bags with fruit and foods. Nearly everyone has a "hit-by-the-depression" family on the Christmas list to whom this gift would bring substantial Christmas cheer.

Boxes or half-boxes of fruits, such as oranges or apples, decorated with Christmas wreaths, are offered by other dealers as gift suggestions. Another happy thought is to pack a gift basket with beverage fruits, including oranges, lemons and grapefruit, together with a bottle or so of ginger ale or grape juice, or perhaps a package of a fine blend tea.

A tour of your shopping centres will give you many other suggestions to pass on to Santa Claus for food gifts appropriate to this season of Yuletide feasting.

If you're spending the Winter months in Florida or Southern California, a yellow corduroy coat, built on comfortable, loose lines, would be useful and smart. Or a wide-waisted white coat with deep armholes and belted.

Never sports hats with gloves and scarfs to match are new in the millinery world.

Modern Dolly Is Made With Care



Top Centre, Winding Dolly's Leg; Next Below, Attaching Head; Below, Putting on Hair; Left and Right, Finished Product.

By LILIAN CAMPBELL

The doll is a very ancient plaything, but heretofore they have been rather hit-and-miss affairs, not very lifelike, although their little owners loved and cherished them and cared for them tenderly.

Never before has so much painstaking labor been expended in making dolls to suit the taste and needs of the little mothers, as today. The problem of this plaything has been studied very seriously of late. Educators have evolved the theory that the development of the child may be helped by the playthings with which it is provided, so life-like

babies, with soft, washable bodies and faces, and clothes that may be taken off and put on, washed and ironed, just like the little girl's own or like her baby brother's, help her to know how a real baby is cared for.

The best modern dolls are designed by sculptors of fine reputation. Learned people in colleges and elsewhere have deliberated over the psychology of the child and the doll, trying to determine just what the child craves in a doll and why.

The methods of manufacturing dolls have been completely revolutionized in the past few years. In

place of the hard, unyielding little bodies of yore, they now are soft to the touch, pliable and durable. The latest methods of making dolls are shown, as demonstrated this year, at the ancient Leipzig Fair.

The bodies of these new dolls are made of cloth, and the arms and legs are wrapped and sewed together with the greatest care. Then the head is attached, as illustrated, and the hair sewed on in a life-like manner.

The finished product is as lifelike as possible. The dolls, left, and the dainty little maiden at the right.

Salt Pack Good for Oily Hair

By GLADYS GLAD

"America's Most Famous Beauty"
The talented Grace Bradley, who is one of the loveliest and most vivacious of the new batch of Wampus Baby Stars, has very beautiful red-gold hair. Gracie's hair isn't beautiful merely because of its color, however, but also because of its clean silkiness and lustre.

There are quite a number of women, however, who neglect their hair. They permit it to become dank and greasy, and consequently it loses all attractiveness. The cause for such excessively oily hair usually is that the oil glands in the scalp are abnormal and overactive. They exude oil in excess quantities, and as a result the hair becomes dull and lifeless.

Of course, superficial treatments such as the use of lemon or soda rinses are beneficial for removing the excess oil from the hair. They help to make the hair appear soft and fluffy. But the new salt pack treatment that I recently learned about not only makes the hair appear free from excess oil, but also helps to correct the abnormal functioning of the oil glands.

Before the salt pack is applied, the hair should be brushed vigorously with a flexible-bristled brush. Then a saucer full of salt should be taken, moistened slightly with water, and applied generously to the scalp. When the pack has been entirely applied, the salt should be massaged over the scalp and through the hair with the fingertips. Add a towel should then be wrapped about the head and the pack permitted to remain on for a short time.

After this the hair should again be brushed vigorously, to remove as much of the salt as possible from the scalp and hair. Next, before the hair is moistened, a good liquid shampoo should be applied to it. This permits the soap to act directly on the oil. After this primary lathering the hair should be rinsed with tepid water and relathered. Then it should be rinsed thoroughly with lemon, soda or vinegar rinses used as a last rinse. This procedure removes the oil effectively.

Puddings Tell World Of Cook's Character

By KATHARINE BAKER

Dessert is the grand finale of the meal. If it is plain and stolid, it suggests that the cook is, too—she felt that she had done enough and would not use her imagination to create a delicate whip or clever fruitcup. But the pudding that has a bit of smartness leaves everyone with the feeling "That was great! Isn't she wonderful!"

Dozens of delft little touches make the simplest dishes attractive. Apple Betty has been a household standby for years, particularly when there is a roast in the oven and Betty can take her place there, too. Betty has gone and got a Southern accent and here are a few suggestions:

COCONUT APPLE BETTY

4 tart apples, pared, cored and thinly sliced
1 cup soft bread crumbs
1 cup premium shelled coconut
1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
4 tablespoons butter
Arrange layer of apples in greased baking dish. Cover with bread crumbs and coconut, then sprinkle with mixture of sugar and cinnamon and dot with butter. Repeat until all ingredients are used, topping with coconut. Cover and bake in moderate oven (350 deg. F.) for 35 minutes. Uncover and bake 10 to 15 minutes longer, or until apples are soft. Serves six.

APRICOT TAPIOCA

Apricot meringue tapioca is so very fine, and rather grand that it should have a special French name. But it's not hard to make: 4 tablespoons minute tapioca 4 tablespoons sugar 1/2 teaspoon salt 2 egg yolks 2 cups milk 1 teaspoon lemon juice 1/4 teaspoon grated lemon rind 1 cup sliced canned apricots, drained
Combine tapioca, 4 tablespoons sugar, salt, egg yolks and milk in top of double boiler, and stir enough to break egg yolks. (Tapioca that cooks in five minutes must be used.) Place top of double boiler over rapidly boiling water, bring to scalding point (allow 3 to 5 minutes) and cook 5 minutes, stirring frequently. Add lemon juice and rind. Turn into greased baking dish. Cover with apricots. Beat egg white until foamy; add remaining 4 tablespoons sugar, 2 tablespoons at a time, beating after each addition until sugar is thoroughly blended. After all sugar is added, continue beating until mixture will stand in peaks. Pile lightly on pudding and bake in moderate oven (350 deg. F.) for 15 minutes, or until delicately browned. Serves six.

Peaput Brittle Charlotte looks very nice and is made in a minute. Split lady fingers in half and arrange in sherbet glasses; fill with cream mixture made by folding 1/2 cup finely crushed peanut brittle and 1/2 cup toasted premium shelled coconut into 1 cup cream.

whipped. Chill before serving. Serves six.

Household Hints

Always keep crusts and left-over bits of bread and dry them. They are most useful to have on hand.

Good fire-lighters can be made from bacon rind tied up in pieces of paper. These, with only a few pieces of wood, will start a good fire.

A delicious cream sauce is made of sugar and cream boiled together and thickened with finely-ground peanuts.

To whiten a discolored kitchen table, boil together a quarter of a pound of powdered whiting, a quarter of a pound of soft soap and a pint of water for twenty minutes, stirring all the time. Scrub the table top with this and rinse with clean water. This treatment may have to be repeated several times, but it will result in the table becoming beautifully white.

When you wish to send greetings at Christmas with just a small but attractive gift, we suggest a box of home-made sweets. A few well-made bonbons, arranged in paper cups and suitably boxed and wrapped, will delight the recipient more than many other articles he might think of, such as the old stand-by, a handkerchief or a tie of just the color he never wears, and so on.

Candy-making is no longer a game of hit and miss, with success more or less a matter of chance. Like every other process, this particular branch of cookery has come to rest on a scientific investigation and experiment.

There are some varieties of candy which may be made by the very inexperienced cook—some cooked and some uncooked.

Before we mention recipes, a list of equipment for amateur candy-making might be useful. Here are some of the necessities:

Deep saucepans
Double boiler
Wooden spoons
Pastry tube
Sharp knife
Candy thermometer

Wax paper
Shallow square tins
Fine knitting needle or bonbon dipper

Some of these utensils are not exactly necessary, but they are of great assistance.

THE CANDY THERMOMETER
To be accurate in candy-making, a thermometer should be used.

Most of the recipes these days for taffy, caramels, fondant, etc., give the temperature at which they should be removed from the heat. If one considers the number of failures and the cost, they will discover the value of a thermometer.

The thermometer should have a special care. It should be placed in the syrup before the boiling point is reached. Many of the new candy thermometers have a clip attached to them, which allows them to remain suspended in the liquid.

When the thermometer is removed from the candy, it should be placed immediately into boiling or hot water and allowed to cool slowly.

When purchasing a thermometer

Assorted Bonbons Attractively Boxed For Christmas Gifts

For candy-making, be sure to ask for a candy thermometer, as the ordinary type is not suitable.

SWEETS FOR CHILDREN

As all specialists and dietitians agree that children should be given sweet things in very small quantities, we should be careful in giving them candies, even at Christmas time.

So that they won't be too disappointed, there are several kinds of sweets which we might offer them.

FRUIT CARAMELS

1/2 pound dates, stoned
1/2 pound raisins
1/2 pound figs
1/2 pound grated coconut
1/2 pound nut meats
1/2 pound candied orange or lemon peel
2 tablespoons lemon juice
1/4 cup orange juice
Powdered sugar
Put fruit, nuts and peel through a food chopper.
Add fruit juices and mix thoroughly.

Roll into balls or pack into a square pan and cut into cubes.

Roll in powdered sugar. (This makes about three pounds.)
The children might have a few of these.

POTATO COCONUT CANDY

1 medium-sized potato
2 cups sifted confectioners' sugar
2 cups shredded coconut
1 teaspoon vanilla
Chocolate
Boil or bake potato until well done, and force through a coarse sieve or a potato ricer.

There should be half a cup of potato.

To this add sugar, coconut and vanilla, working together until well mixed.

Press one inch thick into small bread pan, and spread top with a thin layer of melted bitter chocolate or sweet chocolate.

When chocolate is firm, cut in small squares.

This can be varied by using nuts or fruits instead of coconut.

UNCOOKED CREAM FONDANT

2 tablespoons heavy cream
1 teaspoon corn syrup
1 cup confectioners' sugar
Flavors
Colors

Put cream and light-colored corn syrup in a bowl.

Add sifted sugar gradually, stirring until smooth, and add as much sugar as is necessary to make a stiff paste.

Add flavoring or coloring as desired and use as filling for dates, fruits, nuts or as centres for bonbons or chocolates.

It may be warmed (but not made hot) over hot water, and nuts, cherries, grapes, sections of orange, and fondant centres be dipped in it.

It will have to be kept over the hot water, stirred constantly, and frequently put for a few moments over the fire.

CONDENSED MILK FUDGE

2 cups sugar
1 cup water
1/2 cup condensed milk
2 squares unsweetened chocolate
1 teaspoon vanilla
2 tablespoons butter

Put sugar, water, milk and chocolate in saucepan.

Heat gradually to the boiling

point, and let boil until mixture will form a soft ball when tried in cold water.

Remove from range, add butter, pour upon marble slab, and work as other fudges, adding vanilla when mixture is cool.

MAPLE COCONUT DROPS

2 cups brown sugar
1/2 cup milk
2 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon vanilla
Few grains of salt
1 cup shredded coconut

Cook brown sugar and milk together, stirring constantly until the temperature (236 deg. F.) is reached, or until a little of the mixture forms a soft ball when dropped into cold water.

Remove from the fire and cool to 110 deg. F. or lukewarm.

Add butter, vanilla, salt and coconut.

Beat until creamy.

Drop by teaspoonfuls on a greased surface or a piece of waxed paper.

FUDGE NUT ROLL

2 cups brown sugar
1/2 cup milk
2 tablespoons butter
1 teaspoon vanilla
Few grains of salt
Chopped walnuts

Cook brown sugar and milk together, stirring constantly until the temperature (236 deg. F.) is reached, or until a little of the mixture forms a soft ball when dropped into cold water.

Remove from the fire and cool to 110 deg. F. or lukewarm.

Add butter, vanilla and salt. Beat until creamy.

Shape into rolls about 1 inch in diameter.

Roll in chopped nuts.

Wrap in waxed paper until ready to use.

When serving, cut rolls in thin slices.

CHOCOLATE NUT ROLL

To the fudge nut roll add two squares of unsweetened chocolate with the milk and sugar.

BUTTER FONDANT

3 cups sugar
1 tablespoon butter
1 tablespoon milk
1/2 teaspoon salt
1/4 teaspoon vinegar or three drops of acetic acid
1 cup boiling water

Mix sugar, butter, milk, salt and vinegar.

Add the boiling water.

Cook until a soft ball is formed when a little of the mixture is dropped into cold water.

If you have a candy thermometer, cook to 238 deg. F.

Pour on an ungreased plate and cool.

When lukewarm beat until creamy.

Knead for several minutes, using fingers.

Shape into balls and place in a cupboard container.

Store in a cool place for at least 24 hours.

This fondant may be used for filling dates or making into fancy Christmas bonbons.

PEANUT CLUSTERS

1/2 pound sweet chocolate
1/2 cup sweetened condensed milk
1 cup peanuts

Melt chocolate, which has been cut in small pieces, in the top of a double boiler.

Remove from fire and add sweetened milk and peanuts.

Stir until mixture thickens.

Drop by teaspoonfuls on to a buttered sheet or plate.

Chill thoroughly for several hours.

FRENCH COCOA BALLS
1/2 cup cocoa
1 1/2 cups icing sugar
1 cup nut meats
1/2 cup sweetened condensed milk
1 tablespoon vanilla

Mix 1/2 cup cocoa and 1 1/2 cups icing sugar.

Chop nut meats and add.

Moisten with condensed milk and vanilla.

Shape into balls.

Combine remaining sugar and cocoa and roll balls in it.

Makes three dozen.

DECORATING BONBONS

Bonbons may be decorated by the use of a pastry-tube filled with colored fondant to decorate white bonbons or white fondant to decorate colored bonbons.

Assorted bonbons may be made from the butter fondant.

Some may be decorated with a whole walnut or pecan; others may be shaped into little oblong shapes and rolled in chopped walnuts; others may be made into thin flat wafers and decorated with glaze cherries and green angelica.

A pastry tube is useful for piping fondant sweets or adding a touch of season green or red to wafers or cakes. Large white fondant wafers (mint flavored, if desired) may be used instead of place cards, the names being written in red or green icing on fondant. Home-made wafers are made from the plain or butter fondant, flavored with oil of peppermint. The mixture is melted over hot water and dropped by spoonfuls on wax paper. The mints are attractive, colored pink or green.

DIPPING CHOCOLATES
Making chocolates at home may be a very interesting pastime. We have some rules and suggestions which we would like to pass on to you.

Chocolate for coating should be either the sweetened, unsweetened or milk chocolate. It is wise to have a fairly large quantity of not less than a pound.

Chocolate dipping should not be attempted on a rainy day and should be done in a room which is of an even temperature.

A double boiler is necessary.

The chocolate should be broken into the top part of the double boiler, the bottom part of the double boiler being filled with hot water. The water in the bottom part should not be allowed to get too hot—it should be around 120 deg. F.

Stir the chocolate gently until it is thoroughly warmed.

Place the bonbon or fruit to be dipped on the end of a sharp, fine, sterilized knitting needle or a two-tined fork. Dip into the chocolate and move around until it is well covered. Remove from the chocolate, and place bonbon on waxed paper. If knitting needle is used, waxed paper may be placed on a cake rack and knitting needle drawn through, leaving the chocolate on top of the waxed paper.

Trains are supposed to be "out," but American women have learned to handle them gracefully and like 'em, so refuse to give them up, even at Paris' dictation.

The Latest in Styles for Milady



A separate cape of natural Russian lynx which may be worn with hat is antelope felt trimmed with a woollen dress or furless coat is leather. Leopard cut on Chinese displays unique sleeve treatment.